

# Byrnes OK'd Lynchings On Senate Floor in 1938

By Art Shields

South Carolina's James F. Byrnes was still ranting against the victims of lynch mobs in 1937, 27 years after he first went to Congress from Aiken.

The present Secretary of State still regarded lynchers as defenders of white womanhood in his speeches against the Federal anti-lynch bill in the United States Senate three years before he became a justice of the Supreme Court.

Byrnes' speeches during the filibuster against the anti-lynch bill in January and February, 1938, are even more violent in some respects than his early white supremacy declarations.

America's present foreign policy spokesman was jibing at New York's Democratic Senator Robert F. Wagner, one of the sponsors of the anti-lynch measure, during the debate.

"The proponents of this bill," cried the South Carolina Senator, with especial reference to Wagner, on Jan. 11, 1938, "want the United States to protect the savage criminal, but deem it unnecessary to protect the innocent girls of the nation."

The pages of the Congressional Record that day are studded with Byrnes' inflammatory assertions that the victims of lynch mobs are rapists. He repeated this hoary Ku Klux lie several times, notwithstanding the fact that

less than 20 percent of the Negroes lynched in South Carolina were ever accused of this crime, and that Negro women were among the lynch victims.

Byrnes threatened that South Carolina would disregard any Federal anti-lynching bill that Congress might pass.

## REBELLION STARTS

Rebellion against the impending law had already started, Byrnes implied, when he approvingly noted that "last Saturday the Governor of South Carolina announced that if the bill should be enacted, never again would he order out the National Guard; that he would leave it to the United States Government to protect any defendant."

Any prosecution of this Governor under the terms of this bill, which penalizes state officers who yield to lynchers, would make him a "hero" in South Carolina, declared Byrnes.

"Mr. President," said Byrnes, "a law enacted by this Congress cannot be enforced when the people of a state believe they are being unjustly treated."

By "the people" Byrnes didn't mean the Negroes nor the voteless poor whites of South Carolina.

## EARLY START

Byrnes has been preaching the doctrine of state nullification of Federal laws since his anti-lynching speeches against the bill in 1921, when he warned that Southern juries sitting

in Federal courts would not convict men for violating statutes they didn't like.

All this a century after the threats of South Carolina's first nullificationist, John C. Calhoun, had been stopped by President Andrew Jackson's vow to hang him if he carried them out.

Angry whites would take it out on the Negroes if this bill were passed, the Bourbon Senator insisted. He cited South Carolina history in support of this threat. Every attempt to enforce the state's own anti-lynching bill, assessing damages against counties where mob killings took place, resulted in more lynchings, he asserted. Thus, South Carolina's annual lynch toll jumped to 14 in 1898, from four the year before, Byrnes reported, after the first attempt to enforce the state's punitive measure. Lynchings rose again in turn after similar attempts to enforce the law in 1915, 1920 and 1924, he said, until, finally, the State Supreme Court virtually killed the measure by ruling that juries should decide whether a murder was lynching, or not.

Byrnes took the floor repeatedly during the lynch filibuster. Sen. Richard B. Russell (D-Ga), Sen. Allen J. Ellender (D-La) and Sen. Tom Connally (D-Tex), present chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, and Byrnes, ally against the democracies of Europe, helped to talk the anti-mob violence measure to death.

The present Secretary of State was 58 then.

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## WORLD EVENTS

# U.S. Policy Killed Flyers--Belgrade; Military Burial Set

American airmen shot down in Yugoslavia last Monday will be buried with full military honors as requested by U.S. Ambassador Richard C. Patterson Jr., Yugoslav Army authorities announced yesterday. Three bodies had been recovered and Yugoslav authorities were helping to find two more.

The airmen were victims of what four leading Belgrade papers yesterday denounced as deliberate American flights over Yugoslavia to reconnoiter and make a show of strength.

The newspapers said attacks on Yugoslavia in the American press were timed to damage Yugoslav demands at the Paris peace conference.

They charged American newspapers were talking about a new war, noting the Daily News' suggestion that an atom bomb might be dropped on Yugoslavia. Attacks on "Soviet satellites" are intended to cover up U. S. attempts "to build up its own satellites throughout the world," editorials charged.

"These raving provocateurs who behave like ordinary loudspeakers, the international imperialistic clique which bases its plans on preparations for a new war, have forgotten only one thing: namely, that the crusade against democracy must, however, involve the English and American people," Glas, organ of the Serbian National Front, said.

The Yugoslav government, in a statement by the Ministry of Information, issued new charges that 110 United States and British planes, including 91 military planes, flew over Yugoslav territory between Aug. 10 and 20.

"In responsible circles it is added that this constitutes a further unprovoked infringement of Yugoslav territory which has continued

systematically for seven months," the statement said.

In an obvious effort to quiet the storm it caused with its blustering ultimatum to Yugoslavia last Thursday, the U. S. State Department late Saturday announced that "the demands presented to the Yugoslav government by the U. S. government have been complied with."

The State Department left a loophole for further action by declaring its future course would be determined "in the light of evidence secured and the efforts of the Yugoslav government to right the wrong done."

Patterson reported that the Yugoslav Premier deplored the loss of lives and had given orders that no foreign planes are to be shot at under any circumstances.

The letter from Tito released by the State Department contained further evidence that the Aug. 20 plane was well within Yugoslav borders, that the weather was clear, and that the Yugoslav fighter planes made every effort to persuade the U. S. transport to land before opening fire.

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## Italy Treaty Text Changed

A peace conference committee last night agreed unanimously to alter the text of the Italian treaty in order to give "democratic elements of the Italian people" as well as the Allied forces credit for overthrowing the fascist regime.



**British 'Democracy':** Using fixed bayonets British troops are shown herding Jewish refugees into barbed wire pens on the island of Cyprus. Jews had protested an order preventing newsmen from interviewing refugees in the island's concentration Camp Karalos.

# Scandal Over U. S. 'Sale' Of War Goods to Chiang

Scandal involving dirt-cheap sale of huge amounts of U. S. war surplus to the Kuomintang is under investigation in Shanghai.

United Press revealed that W. F. McKenna, local Shanghai compliance officer of the Foreign Liquidation Commission, resigned in protest against the manner in which materials were being disposed of before investigation by high FLC officials began.

The Mead Senatorial Committee or the Department of Justice may be called in.

Informants said that among questions under investigation are:

- Alleged sale of millions of dollars' worth of serviceable aircraft to the Chinese Central Air Transport Corporation for \$500,000.

- Reclassification as salvage of aircraft parts and equipment which the Army Air Forces described, when it was turned over, as fair, good and new. It has been alleged that materials worth hundreds of thousands of dollars were disposed of for a few thousand dollars.

- Disregard of priorities requirements in the sale of surplus property.

- Delivery to the Kuomintang government of millions of dollars' worth of ships and other equipment without contract and before agreement was reached on the price to be paid. It is alleged that some ships have now been rejected and that China has asked large payments for repairs made on them.

- Revocation of signed contracts with an American firm for material later sold to China for a smaller sum. It is alleged that the material has since been offered to the original contractor for a larger sum.

## New Indian Cabinet Ready

Britain got set yesterday to install its appointed Indian cabinet on Sept. 2 as Moslem resentment seethed at exclusion of the Moslem League.

The British had backed down on promises to grant the Moslem League representation equal to that of the Indian National Congress.

In Simla Sir Shafaat Ahmad Khan, one of three non-League Moslems named to the cabinet, was stabbed seven times in the face and neck by a group of youths, presumably Moslems. His condition was not serious.

Other reports said Hindu-Moslem rioting continued in Allahabad, with more than 100 killed and wounded in the past few days.

## OUR DARDANELLES POLICY

- A Queer State Dep't Stand
- Airing Turkish 'Sovereignty'

By James S. Allen

IT IS A QUEER doctrine that the State Department now invents for the Dardanelles. We never participated in the control of the Straits. We are not a signatory to the Montreux Convention of 1936.

Yet, our mis-leaders of foreign policy reject the proposals of the Soviet Union, make their own demands for the revision of the old agreement, and take for granted that we will sit in on that revision.

This is not the only strange twist in our policy. Our note to the USSR berates her for omitting reference to the United Nations in her proposals to Turkey, and states that any agreement on the Dardanelles must come under the UN.

I wonder if the men we permit to run our foreign policy had thought for a moment how things would turn out if this doctrine were applied equally to other important waterways. The Soviet Union, Britain, and many other countries that never signed a convention on the Panama Canal for the simple reason that we never had one would be fully entitled to request collective control of the Big Ditch, under the jurisdiction of the United Nations.

Britain would also be in a devilish spot if our Dardanelles doctrine were applied to Suez, Aden on the Red Sea, and the Straits of Malacca at Singapore.

IF THE SOVIET UNION really was out for world domination, as our hot-heads claim, she would have the legal right under this new State Department doctrine to demand a share of control at Panama; in fact would be actively seeking it.

But the plain truth is that she is not demanding anything of the kind, while we are muscling in at the Dardanelles without as much as a by-your-leave.

Actually, the Soviet Union asks much less for herself at the Dardanelles, her only exit from the Black Sea, than either Britain or the United States have commanded at strategic waterways thousands of miles distant from the homeland. The USSR is not

asking for sole supervision of the Straits, but for collective control by the Black Sea powers, whose security is directly involved.

OUR STATE DEPARTMENT'S objection to joint Soviet-Turkish defense of the Straits is thus far-fetched.

Because of her unilateral control of the fortified area, Turkey can shut off all transit through the Straits. The USSR is asking that she have an equal say with Turkey. Our government stands firmly opposed to the Soviet request.

According to the Istanbul regime the Soviet proposal for joint defense endangers Turkish "independence." But the Turks threaten Soviet security by their control of the Straits, just as Panama might threaten our security if she were to enjoy the power to shut the Panama Canal during a war.

TURKISH "SOVEREIGNTY" suddenly becomes very dear to gentlemen interested in Middle Eastern oil, Turkish resources and other advantages available in that general area. It was a similar concern for sovereignty that led Teddy Roosevelt to engineer a revolution in Columbia, set up "independent" Panama, and then partition it. We did not propose to share, as the Soviet Union now proposes to Turkey; we simply took.

The USSR is concerned with a strategic area commanding the approaches to her shores. She requests not a Soviet base, but joint defense. Our concept of America's role in the world leads us to demand and take bases far out in the Atlantic and clear across the Pacific, and many other places that are about as non-American as they can be. We have just sent a fleet to remind Portugal that we want military bases in the Azores.

Our expansionists have set the world gasping. It's time we got thoroughly alarmed ourselves.



## NEW KILLINGS LAID TO GREEK FASCISTS

CIVIL STRIFE flared in Greece with gendarmes of the fascist-royalist government battling democrats in Varvara on the Chalcidice Peninsula and in Thessaly. Twenty-two democrats and seven gendarmes were killed in Thessaly; 13 persons were killed at Varvara. United Press terms the democrats "leftwing bandits."

A group of Greek democrats, on their way to penal islands in the Aegean, have smuggled out a message asking for the "support of the British people in the fight for national independence and democracy." Signed by 206 prisoners, the message reveals that all were arrested without charges and, without trial, they are being sent into exile by the pro-fascist government.

YUGOSLAVIA'S PARLIAMENT is working on a new social insurance system to cover all workers. A special decree already guarantees every worker a minimum of two weeks paid vacation yearly.

"TRENDS OF EXPANSIONISM" mark U. S. policy in the Mediterranean, according to the London Sunday Observer.

JEWISH "NON-COOPERATION" with British authorities in Palestine appears in the offing, with the Jewish Labor Federation

organ Davar, urging immediate application of this policy. It will involve resignation of all Jewish members of the Palestine government and refusal to pay taxes.

U. S. NAVY RULE of Samoa has meant that the inhabitants of the island, segregated during the war in Jimcrow sections of theaters now are not allowed into the theaters at all. Lawrence M. Coleman, head of the Honolulu Samoan Civil Association, accused Naval administrators of holding back social progress and urged that Samoa and other U. S. bases be transferred to civilian rule.

UNRRA DIRECTOR LaGuardia said he hoped Poland would not have to go to the "international pawnshop" when UNRRA aid ends. The government may need \$600,000,000 for reconstruction, he said, stressing that interest rates on loans must be "reasonable and conscionable."

GEORGIA LYNCHING of two Negro men and their wives was condemned by the daily Hindustan Times, Indian National Congress organ. "The way the United States solves her racial problems," the paper wrote, "is important not only for her domestic peace but for the many racial conflicts outside of the U. S. borders."



## LABOR and the NATION

# Duluth CIO Warns of Gen'l Strike; NMU Ferrymen Win Talk Resumption

By William Allan

DETROIT, Aug. 25.—One thousand striking auto ferry seamen, involved in the CIO National Maritime Union Great Lakes shipping strike, voted to return to work last night on the basis of negotiations due to resume Monday morning, after receiving assurances no striker would be discriminated against. In another phase of the strike, executive

## CIO Packing Workers File 30-Day Strike Notice

By Ruby Cooper

CHICAGO, Aug. 25.—The CIO Packinghouse Workers Union has filed 30-day strike notices with appropriate government agencies, it was announced yesterday by Ralph Helstein, union president. The announcement came after two weeks of separate negotiations with each of the Big Four packers with "no progress" so far reported, according to Helstein.

"If, in the negotiations," Helstein stated "it should develop that the packers are unwilling to give consideration which the union's proposals deserve, our membership will have no other recourse than to resort to strike action."

The proposals made by the packers in the negotiations to date, Helstein declared, "would deprive the union of all forms of security while at the same imposing penalties designed to destroy the union." The union president also charged that "these proposals, in addition to taking away many benefits previously enjoyed, actually reduces the worker's income."

The Packinghouse Workers Union has put forward demands for a guaranteed annual wage and a minimum hourly wage of \$1 to cover the rising cost of living, in the new contracts currently being negotiated

with the big packers and smaller independent firms.

It was pointed out by Helstein that "the packinghouse workers are among the lowest paid workers in industry generally." Approximately two-thirds of the workers earn less than the average wage paid in the industry, he declared.

Indicating that the packers have spearheaded the Big Business attack on OPA, Helstein remarked that "low income groups suffer particularly from the impact of the inflationary situation which has occurred in recent months and which gives evidence of becoming worse in the days ahead."

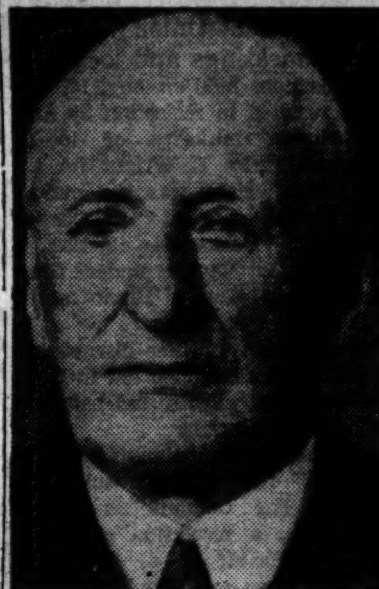
While filing the 30-day strike notices in behalf of the union's 200,000 members, Helstein stated that "we have been and will continue to engage in collective bargaining for the purpose of reaching an understanding. We trust that

the packers will enter into the conference with the same desire to make collective bargaining work."

### Lynch Protest to Honor Woodard

Isaac Woodard, Negro veteran blinded by the Batesburg, S. C., chief of police, will be an honored guest at a mass meeting to protest the Georgia lynchings Wednesday evening Aug. 28, at Public School No. 2, 169 St. and Third Ave.

Speakers at the meeting will be Walter Carland, New York Civil Rights Congress; Branstetter Price, Southern Conference for Human Welfare; Oliver Harrington, public relations director, NAACP, Rev. William James, Trinity Church, 166 St. and Washington Ave; and Chester Addison, United Negro and Allied Veterans.



DEATH CAME yesterday to 84-year-old former Supreme Court Justice James C. McReynolds, die-hard opponent of New Deal legislation during the 1930's. McReynolds left the court in February, 1941, with a record of dissenting votes on every New Deal case before the court. He was the lone dissenter against the Tennessee Valley Authority.

### NATIONAL SCENE

## VETS IN DANGER OF LOSING BENEFITS—V.A.



VETERAN UNEMPLOYMENT is three times that for other males, the Veterans Administration announced yesterday. Figures released by the VA also showed that the average stay of a jobless vet in the 52-20 club is less than 10 weeks. Many ex GIs leave the "club" and take jobs which pay 65 cents an hour and less. A survey of jobs listed in the USES in July showed the lower limit was less than 65 cents an hour in more than half of the 92 major labor markets. Since the readjustment allowance program went into effect 4,900,000 vets of 40 percent of the total of World War II vets have applied for allowances. In July, 1,720,000 were on VA rolls. VA stated "in the absence of a positive placement program, there is clearly a danger that many veterans will exhaust entitlement to benefits without attaining the readjustment objective."

FEDERAL ANTI-LYNCH legislation will be sought again in Congress early next year, New York's Senators Wagner and Mead have announced. Sen. Wagner co-sponsored an anti-lynch law which died in committee in the 79th Congress. The recent lynchings make such a law imperative, they said. They claimed support from 11 other senators thus far. Main question will be whether they can force through a cloture vote ending filibuster, which has killed all previous

measures. That, and that alone, is test of whether a senator is for an anti-lynch bill or not.

CHAOTIC CONDITIONS both in the U. S. and the world are making the stock market jittery. Last week, an announcement that American Telephone and Telegraph was planning a new financing operation caused a break not only in Tel and Tel stock but all along the line. One market advisory service said it was surprised the market did not do even worse, what with the unstable international situation, labor's refusal to take wage-cuts through-inflation lying down (that was NOT the way the service put it), and the war profits scandals. The service said of the scandals that "the worst . . . are yet to come."

THE BODY of Colin Kelly, Jr., first hero of World War II, was identified by the War Department. Kelly had been listed as missing since his B-17 crashed in the Philippines on Dec. 10, 1941. Buried as an "unknown soldier," the hero's body was recently exhumed, identified and reburied at the U. S. Military Cemetery in Manila. In an investigation, the War Department disclosed that Kelly did not crash on the Japanese battleship, Haruna in a suicide mission, but had been attacked by enemy planes after dropping a direct hit on the ship.

pickets cease, the labor movement will call for a general strike in the Duluth area. Thirty-seven unions went on record with this pledge.

Negotiations will begin Monday with the Ford Motor Co. and the Nicholson Transit Co., which have 14 ships strike-bound. Aside from the shorter work week, a knotty problem in the case of the auto-ferry seamen will be tackled. It is whether they come under the Railway Labor Act, the maritime laws or Coast Guard regulations.

The majority of ports have ratified the Bethlehem agreement and the men will return to work immediately.

In rebuttal to shipowners who seek to create the impression that the strike is all over, the NMU has begun a strike mobilization program for seamen behind the ships still struck.

Radio broadcasts are scheduled for Detroit, Buffalo, Duluth, Cleveland, Chicago, and all other ports several times a day, notifying striking seamen of the exact status of the strike and any negotiations that may be going on. In a statement today, the strike committee declared:

"Official announcements regarding the strike will come only from the union."

"Thousands of striking seamen, organized and unorganized, are still on the picket lines. They are determined not to return to their ships until the companies settle."

### Strike Intensified In Illinois, Indiana

Special to the Daily Worker

CHICAGO, Aug. 25.—Striking seamen in the Illinois-Indiana region have voted to continue their strike against all hold out Great Lakes shipping companies.

Following the vote to continue the strike, Ralph Mosher, local strike chairman, declared: "We will intensify and strengthen our strike on the Great Lakes until the gains won for Bethlehem and Standard Oil seamen are obtained for all seamen on the Lakes."

Thirty-six unorganized seamen here piled off their ships to join the strike yesterday, following news of the victorious smashing of the 56-hour week on Bethlehem and Standard Oil ships.

Progress in negotiations with Inland Steel Co. was also reported by Mosher, with sessions scheduled to be resumed on Monday.

A National Maritime Union launch is now covering the harbors in this region with the news of the union's victories to unorganized ships with seamen still aboard.

### Series on Wage-Price Policy Starts Tuesday

Starting tomorrow, the Daily Worker will run a series of three articles by Washington Correspondent Rob. F. Hall on the theory behind the Truman Administration's policies on wages and prices. The articles will deal with the reasons for higher prices and the manner in which the Administration's economic moves are speeding the "bust."

## Gov't Coddles Rail Profiteers--Sen. Taylor

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Sen. Glen H. Taylor, (D-Ida), charged today that the budget bureau is showing "maternal tenderness towards the railroads by failure to seek repayment of what he called "excessive profits" paid by the government during the war.

Taylor, who three weeks ago asked the Senate War Investigating Committee to investigate alleged overcharges by the railroads, today called on the committee to find out whether any railroad men had influenced Budget Bureau policy on rail rates.

He released an exchange of letters with the bureau in which the agency said that before acting on the alleged overcharges it wanted to "explore fully all the relevant factors."

These, it said, were (1) Whether the amount of money received by suing the railroads would be more than would have to be refunded to them in taxes in event of repayment; and (2) The "net effect of such reparations and tax adjustments on the financial condition of the railroads."

Taylor replied in a blistering letter to Budget Director James E. Webb rejecting his arguments for a delay and declaring himself

"shocked by the extreme solicitude with which you are handling the railroad corporations."

He said the bureau's letter to him did not deny charges that overpayments had been made.

The question of whether it will be profitable to seek recovery, he declared, should not be considered. "The collection of funds wrongfully taken from the government should be regarded as a solemn duty."

"Your second reason," he stated, "is in effect that the government should not sue . . . because the railroads need the money."

"This amazing philosophy would, if extended, result in a complete breakdown of all law enforcement. Does a similar logic prevent suit against highly placed individuals? Or would the little fellow who took Government property to satisfy his family's needs feel the full weight of the government's power?"

"In sum, I am shocked by the extreme solicitude with which you are handling the railroad corporations. . . . This maternal tenderness strains the power of your office, and if you find that overcharges have been made, your plain and only duty is to turn them over to the Justice Department."



TAYLOR



# AFL Red-Baiting Run on CIO Furniture Union Fails

The "coup" engineered in the CIO's United Furniture Workers by Sol B. Hoffman of the AFL's Upholsterers Union, petered out without any important loss of membership to the UFW. This was the summary of a letter the three top officers of the UFW sent to all locals.

The letter told the members not to take seriously the exaggerated anti-labor press accounts of the supposed switch of locals to the AFL union. Actual attempts were made to switch locals in only several instances and in no case but York, Pa., were Hoffman's agents successful but there, too, the local is reconsidering its action.

Legal and organizational measures were immediately taken to prevent some local officers, bought off by Hoffman, from stealing local funds or property and to preserve all contracts held by the UFW. The plan to smash the UFW was preceded by a well press-agented factional campaign to save the union from "Communism."

The most serious threat appeared at Grand Rapids where two officers, Hoffman's collaborators, called a hasty rump meeting of some 200 and through it "switched" the local's 2,800 members to the AFL. A much larger meeting called by the UFW on direction of UFW and CIO leaders, expelled the treacherous officers and took court action to safeguard the local's contracts and books.

A joint meeting of representatives of International Woodworkers of America and the UFW at Chicago on Aug. 20 and 21, reached agreement on most major points on a merger plan.

CIO Organizational director Allan S. Haywood presided. Until some time next year when both unions

can hold parallel conventions prior to a merger convention, they will cooperate and have reciprocal representation on their respective top

boards. The resultant union will have jurisdiction over everything in wood from the stump to the finished product.

## UE 813 REPUDATES RED-BAITERS BLOC

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Aug. 25.—A smashing blow at the new disruptive efforts of red-baiters in the CIO United Electrical Workers Union was dealt by Local 813 here in membership meetings and local elections.

The elections held on Aug. 14, 15 and 16 resulted in reelection by an overwhelming majority of local president Charles E. Wright for a sixth term. Wright was the main target of the so-called "UE Committee for Democratic Action," formed in Pittsburgh under the leadership of Harry Block and James Click of St. Louis.

The campaign of these disrupters was energetically supported in the local newspapers with red-baiting articles and editorials.

Regarding the campaign of Block's committee for a constitutional clause to bar Communists from union office, a resolution adopted by Local 813 said:

"We reaffirm our stand on the clear-cut policy of this union, as contained in our constitution, that officers and members shall be judged by their contribution to the welfare of our union and its members, without regard to race, sex, creed, color or political beliefs.

"We reaffirm our determination to carry out the progressive fighting program of this union for better working conditions and the preservation of American democracy.

"We reaffirm our confidence in William Sentner, Eldon Parr and the tried and tested national leaders of this union who have just led us through major victories for higher wages and better conditions."

Sentner and Parr are leaders of the midwest district of the UE.

The resolution "condemns the action of Harry Block and Jim Click in their red-baiting attacks" and noted that labor was now "fighting for its life" against attacks of reactionary forces. The factionalism fostered by Block's group "will result in confusion, disunity and nothing short of betrayal of our membership to employers," warns the resolution.

## UE Stand on the Disrupters

Following the overwhelming vote of condemnation of red-baiters at Friday's District Council 4 meeting of the CIO United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, representing members in metropolitan New York and Northern New Jersey, district officers issued a statement; following are excerpts:

American monopolies led by GE, Westinghouse, GM, U. S. Steel and others, since the end of the war, have embarked upon a program of wage slashing, union-busting and super profits directed against the American people. They are aware, however, that the great barrier to

this enslavement, and then the financial domination of the entire world, lies in the workers, and firstly in their unions. Thus, in order to carry this forward, the militant program of the CIO and its leading unions must be defeated.

In our union, Big Business has found its lackeys who are consciously carrying out their programs. In an attempt to incite hysteria, the bosses would try to convince the workers that the main problem facing them was not high prices, speedups, insecurity and the threat of war, but rather "Communism." This is the historically tried and true method of accomplishing division of the workers. They cannot be proud of being original since the industrialists of Germany through Hitler brought this disruption to its highest peak—a world at war. They talk from both sides of their mouths saying Communism and Save Our Union. They should well recall that after the last war it was the AFL that was red-baited for the purpose of driving the membership of the AFL from over 4,000,000 in 1920 to a little more than 2,000,000. This is what their program of saving the union would mean. Every scoundrel at one time or another has defended his actions by red-baiting.

### A FAMILIAR TUNE

This is precisely what Wylie Brown of Phelps Dodge has been saying for eight months while he starves the workers. That is exactly what every employer has said when faced with a strike for higher wages. It is the tune sung over and over again by the NAM, the Wall Street Journal, Business Week and other employer publications. It is

what the undercover forces in our union have been saying in their cowardly anonymous sheet the Searchlight mimeographed at the ACTU offices in New York.

We, the officers of District 4, categorically state that this union is run by its members and we do not intend to hand it over to the bosses or their agents. This union is dominated only by its membership. The membership votes on policy, the membership votes for its officers locally, on a district scale and nationally. The membership of this union decides on its contract and wage demands, on its negotiating committees and decides by its votes the contract it accepts. The membership of this union, by its votes, calls a strike and by its votes settles a strike. We condemn the use of red-baiting or any other attempt to restrict the rights of our individual members as undemocratic and disruptive.

## USSR ERASES NAZI PILLAGE WITH HOUSING CONSTRUCTION

MOSCOW (By mail).—Homes for Soviet railwaymen and their families are a major project under the current Five-Year Plan. The Nazis destroyed 32,000,000 square feet

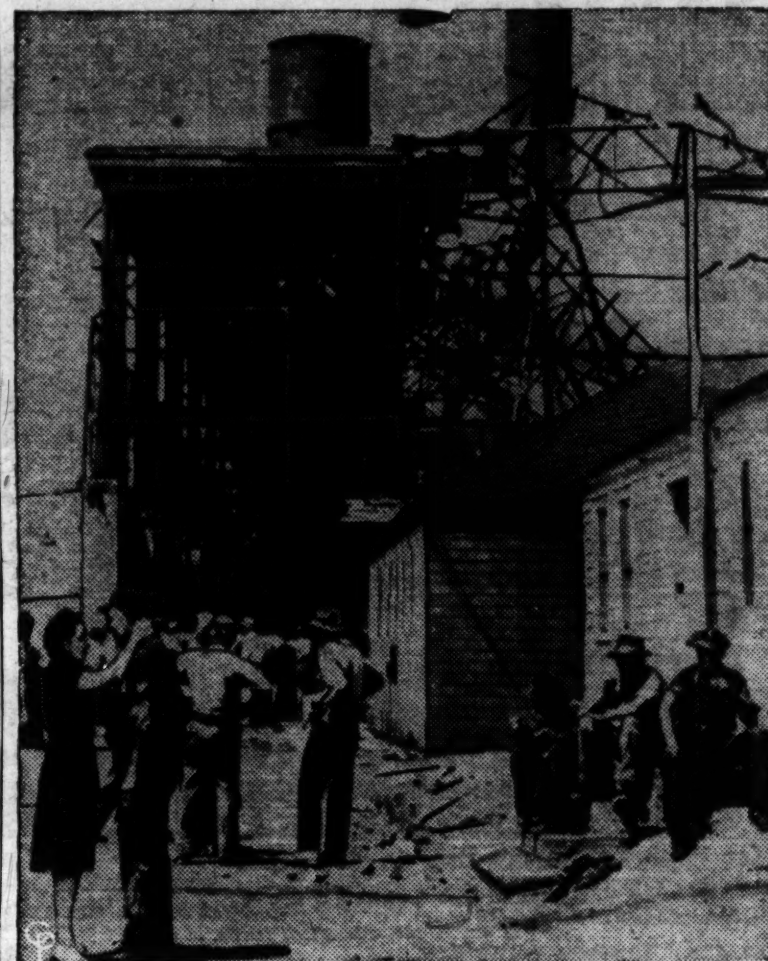
of living space occupied by railway workers, but this will be replaced by 59,202,000 square feet of new housing. Besides, the government has made long term loans to railway workers for upward of 29,000,000 square feet of private homes, and many more such loans are in the offing.

Some 100,000,000 rubles will be expended to build canals, plant trees and otherwise improve and beautify railway workers' settlements.

Large sums will go for rehabilitation and construction of sanatoriums and health resorts where railway

## Metropolitan Museum Goes CIO

By a vote of 155 to 6, Metropolitan Museum of Art employees have favored the CIO United Public Workers, Local 111, as their bargaining agent, in an action expected to set precedent for other museums in the city. The UPW is also seeking recognition at the Bronx Zoo, the Museum of Natural History, the Brooklyn Museum and the New York Historical Society.



**Shattered Factory:** Three workers were killed and eight injured by a blast at the Apex Ohio plant at Nitro, West Va. The explosion touched off a fire which delayed rescue crews for six hours.

## AMVETS Hit 'On Job' Wage Cuts

The American Veterans of World War II (Amvets), in an action similar to that taken by the national CIO, has assailed wage cuts ordered for veterans participating in the on-the-job training program. Amvets demanded the next Congress raise ceilings on job-training programs over the new monthly maximums of \$175 for single and \$200 for married veterans.

National Commander Jack Hardy called on all posts to arrange conferences with employers and Veterans Administration officials.

Support has also come from the National Tool and Die Manufacturers Assn., which said many of its job trainees will be forced to seek employment elsewhere to earn a decent living.

## Vets Housing Crippled By Congress: Wyatt

Housing Expediter Wilson W. Wyatt late Saturday charged that Congressional failure to pass the Wagner-Ellender-Taft bill had "seriously crippled" the veterans housing

program. He told the National Conference of Catholic Charities in South Bend, Ind., that even if the nation meets its goal of 2,700,000 dwellings by the end of 1947 the housing program will be as serious as it is today.

Wyatt said the nation is merely committed to a short-term, emergency housing program.

"When these 2,700,000 homes and apartments are completed the need for housing will be just as great as

it was when the program began," Wyatt stated. "The same number of families will be doubled up. The same number of families will be living in homes that are not up to decent American standards."

The Wagner-Ellender-Taft Bill, Wyatt declared, "was a vital part of the veterans program."

## Illinois Vets Picket Governor for Housing

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Aug. 25.—The Council of American Labor Veterans picketed the Governor's mansion yesterday "to keep Gov. Dwight H. Green reminded of the veterans' housing needs."

The vets came from Peoria by bus and private car. Many of them brought their families. John Davidson, spokesman for the Council, said 200 to 300 demonstrators had left Chicago and were expected to swell the ranks to around 1,000.

Davidson has asked the Governor to provide 10 walled tents to house the vets. He also urged the governor to turn over his Chicago hotel suite to the veterans and let them live in all but three rooms of the Governor's mansion.

The ex-GIs demanded a special session of the state legislature to study housing. Informing that Green was in Chicago, Davidson said that "apparently the Governor doesn't want to talk to the veterans of Illinois."

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## NEW YORK

# 175,000 in City Starve on 12c Meals

By Louise Mitchell

Slow starvation is the verdict of the New York City administration for the 175,000 men, women and children on its relief roles. With a let-them-eat-cake smugness, the city fathers tell the old, the widowed, the orphaned, the ill, the blind, the disabled and their families to live on the lordly sum of 12 cents per meal. Within this group are 65,000



**Jewel Theft:** WAC Captain Kathleen B. Nash Durant is shown with members of her defense counsel as she appeared before an American Army court martial in Frankfurt, Germany, awaiting trial for her part in the \$1,500,000 Hesse crown jewel theft. Shown are (left to right): Capt. Glenn Brumbaugh, Capt. Durant, Lt. Col. John S. Dwinell, chief of the defense, and Capt. John D'Esposito.

## Brass Hats Spar for GOP Senate Nomination

With nominating conventions taking place next Tuesday and Wednesday, the two major parties still face uncertainty on the make-up of their New York State ticket.

Chief Republican headache is the U. S. senatorship. The party officialdom is rooting for Gen. Hugh Drum, who apparently has the blessings of Gov. Dewey. Gen. Drum, head of the State Guard, Dewey's military advisor during his 1944 presidential campaign.

But Gen. William J. (Wild Bill) Donovan, who headed the Office of Strategic Services during the war, is fighting for the nomination and has wide backing, particularly among veterans. Gen. Donovan was recently attacked by Pres. Thomas Murray of the State Federation of Labor for being anti-union.

Until recently considered the leading candidate, Gen. Donovan was shoved out following Murray's denunciation, apparently because of Gov. Dewey's intensive fight to get AFL endorsement.

State Sen. Thomas C. Desmond of Newburgh is also being pushed by friends. But he is out because he has a slightly liberal reputation and is not a Catholic. Both generals contending for the nomination are Catholics and the GOP slate will need one to "balance" it.

Dewey evidently has overcome another headache in persuading Attorney General Nathaniel Goldstein to run on the ticket. Months ago Goldstein had indicated he was fed up with having to do some of Dewey's dirty work and wanted to get out. But Goldstein is an important vote-getter for the Dewey ticket and has been under constant pressure to run for reelection or for another post.

Lt. Gov. Joe R. Hanley, whom Dewey tried unsuccessfully to shelve because he was too independent, will doubtless remain on the ticket because of his popularity in Republican circles. So will Comptroller Frank C. Moore.

On the Democratic side, Eleanor Roosevelt appears destined to play an important part in convention proceedings next week. She is

scheduled to confer this week with Democratic leaders and with Sen. James M. Mead, prospective candidate for Governor. She will be convention keynoter.

Mentioned prominently as a candidate for U. S. Senate herself, Mrs. Roosevelt has insisted she will not run for any public office. Sen. Mead has been pressing for ex-Mayor LaGuardia to be his running mate for Senate but powerful Democratic county leaders favor ex-Gov. Lehman.

The makeup of the remainder of the Democratic state ticket is undecided.

### Collins Thanks Harlem For Primary Support

Charles A. Collins, Negro trade union leader who swamped Harold I. Panken in the American Labor Party State Senatorial contest in last Tuesday's primaries by a vote of 1,516 to 214, and also received one of the largest write-in votes on the Democratic and Republican lines ever seen in a state legislative battle, addressed a note of thanks to the people of Harlem yesterday.

The write-in vote which still is being tallied, was achieved despite tremendous technical difficulties, and was estimated to be one quarter of the entire vote cast in the 21st Senatorial District and one half of the entire vote cast in Harlem.

### Buyers' Rally

A consumer's rally protesting continued rises in prices will be held at Rutgers Square, corner of East Broadway and Rutgers Sts., Wednesday, Aug. 28, 8 p. m. A number of prominent speakers, including Rep. Arthur G. Klein, Louis Capozzoli, and Eric Strong of the citywide Buyers' Strike Committee will address the rally. The meeting will be sponsored by the Anti-Inflation Council of the East Side.

children to whom milk, meat, eggs, fruits and vegetables mean the sinews of growth. Try to balance 36 cents a day for adult or child up against eggs that cost 65 cents a dozen; milk, 21 cents a quart; butter, 75 cents a pound; meat, anywhere from 40 to 70 cents a pound.

And if you think the sum of 12 cents per meal is shocking, just remember that relief families are currently living on less. In September they will be increased to 12 or 13 cents per meal.

Provision for other needs are made in the same proportion, with many necessities entirely neglected. The budget provided by the Department of Welfare covers, if you call it that, food, rent, clothing, personal incidentals, fuel for heating, gas, light, house cleaning supplies and refrigeration for four summer

months. Sometimes the budget includes special items, according to special family needs, like carfare for a clinic. But nothing else.

Excluded are funds for school expenses, medicine chest supplies, insurance premiums, recreation, newspapers, household replacements, car fare for visits to friends or relatives, and a dozen other daily needs.

Imagine a child who never has money for a notebook or an ice cream cone, or an occasional trip to the movies; or a housewife who never can spare money to buy a towel or replace a broken dish; or a man who can't afford some iodine for a bad cut, or a few cents for a newspaper.

If a relief client has to visit a sick relative, the car fare has to come out of table money.

Such is the lot of dependents in the richest city in the world.

All too often in periods of so-called prosperity, the lowest economic strata is forgotten by those who don't care and those who should know better.

### FORGET RISING PRICES

Relief budgets are never calculated to cope with rising prices. They always trail behind the realistic economic situation.

The New York City Budget Council, which sets the budget standards for private and public agencies, maintains that the Department of Welfare budget, even with the new September increase, is below minimum. For example, food is 13.8 percent below; clothing, 10.3 percent; and cleaning supplies, 34.9 percent.

A typical family of four in September will receive a budget that is still 19.4 percent below the Budget Council's recommendations.

A typical family now receives \$99.05 a month. In September its allowance will be increased to \$109.55. The Budget Council insists it should be \$135.95, which is low enough. The Council's estimate was made on the basis of June, 1946, ceiling prices, which no longer exist. Relief families are also hard hit because low-cost foods and clothing have mostly disappeared from the market. Heads of families are unable to travel distances to take advantage of sales and occasional cheap disposal of goods. They must rely on neighborhood stores, often small and high-priced.

They find life an everlasting tussle with the budget. To have sufficient food they must cut down on clothes and personal incidentals. To have enough clothes, they must cut down on food.

What happens to family life in such cases needs little describing. What happens to many children brought up on the brink of starvation is a matter for the courts.

The only consistent fight against this starvation routine has been put up by the CIO United Public Workers of America. Local 1 of this union is asking for a 60 percent increase in family budgets. It is asking that certain articles be considered necessary for health and decency, such as household replacements, medicine supplies, school equipment and recreation funds.

It is asking for a moderate cost budget which will have a margin for emergencies.

The union insists on an increased staff for the Department of Welfare, where employees work at miserable wages, and heavy caseloads make sound administration difficult.

## Life on Home Relief In World's Richest City

TYPICAL MONTHLY BUDGETS OF INDIVIDUALS ON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

|  | Current | Sept.   |
|--|---------|---------|
| Mrs. H. and a child two years old living in their own apartment.   |         |         |
| Food .....   | \$25.62 | \$26.52 |
| Personal incidentals .....   | .50     | .50     |
| Rent .....   | 24.00   | 24.00   |
| Fuel-cooking .....   | 1.40    | 1.40    |
| Light .....  | 1.30    | 1.30    |
| Household supplies .....   | .70     | .70     |
| Ice .....  | .85     | .85     |
| Clothing .....   | 6.80    | 9.30    |
| Cod liver oil .....  | .30     | .30     |
| A 70-year-old couple living in their own apartment. Each individual gets the following budget:           |         |         |
| Food .....   | \$15.60 | \$16.14 |
| Personal incidentals .....   | .40     | .40     |
| Rent .....   | 13.00   | 13.00   |
| Fuel-cooking .....   | .70     | .70     |
| Light .....  | .85     | .85     |
| Household supplies .....   | .35     | .35     |
| Clothing .....   | 4.10    | 5.80    |
| Exp. inc. to h'cap. .....  | 1.30    | 1.30    |
| Ice .....  | .45     | .45     |
| Mother and four children—Georgette, b. 6/12/39; Eleanor, b. 6/25/41; Daisy, b. 8/22/43; John, b. 5/29/45 |         |         |
| Food .....   | \$42.65 | \$54.85 |
| Personal incidentals .....   | 1.10    | 1.10    |
| Rent .....   | 20.00   | 20.00   |
| Fuel-heating .....   | 3.95    | 3.95    |
| Fuel-cooking .....   | 2.00    | 2.00    |
| Light .....  | 2.00    | 2.00    |
| Household supplies .....   | 1.40    | 1.40    |
| Ice .....  | .85     | .85     |
| Clothing .....   | 15.65   | 21.30   |
| Cod liver oil .....  | .60     | .60     |

## Demand Trial of Cop Who Beat Elderly Negro

Civil Rights Congress of New York, in a letter yesterday to Police Commissioner Wallander, called for departmental trial of Patrolman Albert J. Fondelier, Badge No. 19184, on charges brought against him by Stern, co-chairman of Civil Rights of New York, "that on Friday morning, July 19, Patrolman Fondelier, without any provocation, struck him with his pistol, breaking his false teeth and causing two stitches to be taken in his upper lip."

"Slappy charged," said Meyer E. Stern, co-chairman of Civil Rights of New York, "that on Friday morning, July 19, Patrolman Fondelier, without any provocation, struck him with his pistol, breaking his false teeth and causing two stitches to be taken in his upper lip."

## PUBLIC WORKERS OPEN FIGHT TO BETTER N. Y. HOSPITALS

The CIO Public Workers of America, and its affiliate, the Association of Registered Professional Nurses, yesterday called on Mayor O'Dwyer and organizations in the hospital

and nursing field to join in an effort to provide immediate sharp upward revision of nurses' salaries and a reduction of their work week to 40 hours as the means of relieving the present shortage in the nursing field in both city and private hospitals.

The union pointed out there are thousands of vacancies in New York City hospitals and that Mayor O'Dwyer has taken cognizance of the critical situation. Dozens of private hospitals have been forced to close rooms and wards. In a statement issued by James V. King, regional director of the union, it was claimed that thousands of nurses who left the hospital field to enter the armed forces are extremely reluctant to return to staff jobs in hospitals because of the long hours and the inadequate pay.



# What About VD in the Soviet Union?

By Peter Stone

"THERE is one country where prostitution and venereal disease have for all practical purposes been banished from a society of 180,000,000 people. That land is the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics." How it was done is the subject of the remarkable book, *Sin and Science*, by Dyson Carter. (Heck-Cattell, \$2.50.)

This famed science writer, who recently joined the Marxist political organization, the Canadian Labor-Progressive Party, relates the story of the Soviet struggle against immorality and disease. Czarist Russia had a system of organized prostitution. The corrupt police often supplied women to brothels and indexed the profession by a system of yellow cards. Doctors were supposed to examine prostitutes regularly and thus control or prevent the spread of venereal disease. But, as has been pointed out in the famous work *Prostitution in Europe*, by Dr. A. Flexner, control of VD by such methods was arrant nonsense.



The Bolshevik Revolution gave rise to a democracy for both sexes and therefore was immediately accused of "nationalizing the women." With this peculiar twist came the inverted logic that communism meant free love. Dr. Carter mentions the ideas prevalent among some intellectuals that the revolution also meant doing away with sexual morality.

A theory developed that sexual relations were similar to other bodily craving. Like thirst, such desires had to be satisfied. In an interview with a revolutionary woman leader, Lenin made short shrift of this type of argument. "Of course thirst must be satisfied, but will a normal man, in normal circumstances, lie down in the gutter and drink out of a puddle, or out of a glass with a rim that is greasy from many lips?" was his answer to the glass of water theory.

To Lenin, "drinking water was an individual affair. In love, two lives are concerned; and a third, a new life, arises. It is that which gives love its social interest, which gives rise to a duty toward the community. Liberation of love is neither new nor communist. About the middle of the last century, it was preached as the 'emancipation of the heart' in

romantic literature. In practice it became the emancipation of the flesh.

"Communism will not bring asceticism, but joy of life, power of life and a satisfied love life will help to do that. In my opinion the present widespread emphasis in sexual matters does not give joy and force of life. Healthy sport, many-sided intellectual interests, learning, studying, inquiry, will give young people more than eternal theories and discussions about sexual problems and the so-called 'living to the full.' Healthy bodies, healthy minds!"

To Soviet scientists, syphilis was a social disease and prostitution a social evil. Medical assistance to victims of the disease was rendered free and easily accessible to the public. A vast system of clinics, VD hospitals and networks was established throughout the USSR. It was the function of such agencies to keep lists of all VD victims. The law made hospitalization compulsory for all persons infected with a communicable form of syphilis.

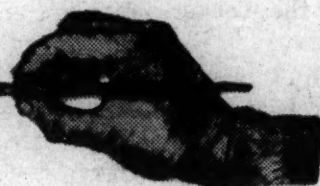
Dr. Carter's book underscores the approach of Soviet leaders to women as the key to wiping out prostitution. He quotes with approval from "Soviet Communism" by the Webbs that "in their

remaking of the Russian people, Lenin and his followers began, not with Adam, but with Eve." In a socialist state the Communists planned for full employment. It was their insistence on freedom of women and their participation in the political and economic life of the country, that was greatly instrumental in solving the prostitution problem. After 1917 there were no more yellow cards in the USSR and citizenship was restored to the former prostitutes. Women were given a chance at jobs and raised to much higher educational levels.

In 1913 an average of 20 venereal cases per 1000 were registered in Russia. By 1936 the number of cases in cities was only two per 1,000. By 1940 in 18 of the large cities of the USSR even this figure was lowered by approximately 25 percent.

Our Army authorities are greatly worried about the rising rate of 287 per 1,000 per year in the ETO. Maybe they ought to study how a socialist society did it. It was Commander Norman of the U. S. Navy attached to the Harriman mission who said "The Red Army and Air Force are virtually free from venereal diseases. You can't say that about any other army in the world."

## Letters from Our Readers



### Worker Finds Red-Baiting Retards Labor Movement

Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Editor, Daily Worker:

At a meeting of delegates from the Textile Workers Union, the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, the Steelworkers, and several other CIO affiliates, an Executive Political Action Committee for Lehigh County, Pa., was elected.

During the meeting, a candidate on the Democratic Party ticket for Congress, named Slavin, spoke to the assembled delegates.

Probably the most important statement he made, outside of his pledge to support the program of the late President Roosevelt, was the one in which he said: "I am making no commitments to this labor body and the reason I am not doing so is because it is difficult to make commitments that will satisfy all labor from John L. Lewis to Reuther and the rest of labor's various groupings."

Slavin seemed to be telling the delegates that no one seeking office at this time could expect to endorse one labor group's program without alienating himself from other large groups of workers.

A noticeable defect in the meeting was the absence of a genuine rank and file delegate body elected by the members of the unions, which was substituted for by a hand-picked group of "delegates"

from the various shop committees.

The chairman of the meeting, the international representative for the Textile Workers, in his remarks from the chair mentioned the insufficient rank and file unionists' participation in the last election and said that the situation must be corrected if labor and the progressive forces were to be successful in electing a progressive Congressman to represent them at this coming election.

The past red-baiting indulged in by some of the unions represented at the meeting should prove to them that an anti-Communist line has a way of making itself felt adversely for a long period of time.

Red-baiting, anti-Communist activities and apathy of the rank and file membership seem to go hand in hand with each other.

H. W. SMITH.

### A Reader Discusses His Daily Paper

Editor Daily Worker:

The Daily is indispensable to any progressive. It seems to me that with all the discussion of its weaknesses, etc., the fact remains that the Daily is still the only paper that properly interprets current events and mobilizes people for action and can and must be read and spread.

I'm pleased to see the various

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attempts to improve the Daily and Worker, and I feel that the all around quality of the paper is better all the time. Some reactions of a reader are as follows:

Alan Max's daily squibs are excellent. In being satirical, they cleverly clarify the issues and expose the hypocrisy of imperialists. Allen, Starobin and Howard are excellent. Ditto George Morris and the LRA notes and other regular features. Burton's housing articles were swell. More such basic analyses of current problems are needed.

The front page gets better all the time. I agree with the reader who said that we should use the space well, but I don't think filling the page with stories is the answer.

While the Daily has coverage that no other paper has, I feel that the foreign news is not up to what it used to be. I realize that we haven't the dough for our own correspondents and that mail ties with other parties are not pre-war. But I feel that we could have more news from abroad. Certainly progressive agencies at

home receive news via their channels.

Technically, I think there is a great improvement, but we should use more and better photos—and not of bathing beauties. I realize that we haven't the money and facilities, but why not enlist the aid of Worker readers? Have them send in photos of meetings and picket lines or get action photos of a new kind. Also, why not use more cartoons?

I think we need all the vehicles which will strike home emotionally—cartoons, good pictures, poetry, reproductions of paintings. I thought the recent poem, "Brother, My Brother," was superb. The Daily ought to invite poetry, stories, and really push for such material via Party branches.

But, all in all, it's my paper, and our paper. It's the best there is, and I'll do my best to obtain new readers for it.

A VETERAN.

### 'Free' Press Distorted N. Y. Primary Returns

Editor, Daily Worker:

Analyzing the recent primaries, Frank Kingdon, in his Thursday, Aug. 22, broadcast, referred to the big, very "free" press, and said that they had the day after the primaries "distorted headlines."

Every honest man or woman

will sooner or later find out that the American "free press" is not free and that very often is downright dishonest. It distorts headlines, colors news and pigeon-holes items which they feel are unfavorable.

GREGORY R.

### Finds Allen's New Book A Valuable Guide

New York.  
Editor, Daily Worker:

I feel that I must tell your other readers about that splendid book by James S. Allen, "World Monopoly and Peace."

It is proving of the utmost value to me in understanding the world forces at work today, not just generally, as I have understood them in the past, but specifically.

Mr. Allen shows the basic underlying factors which determine the foreign policy of the United States and Britain and their satellites. I have gained an invaluable knowledge of the economic factors of world monopoly and the cartel system, and what it means for me and my next door neighbor.

I wish it were possible for you to print a part or whole of a chapter when trying to show Americans that the fine phrases of Byrnes about "democracy" are but screens to hide the aims and desires of our "free enterprisers" for world domination.

Let me congratulate the Daily Worker also upon the articles that Mr. Allen has been writing recently. I find these a penetrating analysis of political events in the world today.

D. J.

## Harlem Hears About Socialism

By John Hudson Jones

"Communism must be the poor man's philosophy," a young Negro remarked to a fellow by-stander.

"Yeah, they sure don't bite their tongues when they're talking about Negroes, and that's just what I like to hear—folks that aren't afraid to give them jokers down in Alabama plenty of hell!"

These two Negro youths were a part of a crowd of about 900 people at 125 St. and Eighth Ave. that had just heard a Negro Communist speaker denounce Negro haters in the South and in the North and urge them to "learn more and more about communism because capitalism has failed and is failing to make this a decent country for Negroes to live in."

### MANY MEETINGS

This meeting held the other night by the John Brown Club of the Harlem Communist Party was just one of the many outdoor mass

meetings that are organized throughout Harlem by the clubs in that area.

At the meeting 200 copies of A. B. McGill's pamphlet, "Socialism: What's In It For You," and 300 Daily Workers were sold. John Lavin, organizational secretary for Harlem says that the sale of the Daily and McGill's pamphlet has become a high spot of each of the meetings.

"We planned and carefully organized each of these meetings along the lines of the suggestions carried in William C. Kelly's Daily Worker article on street corner meetings," Lavin said.

"We try to bring the Communist program and ideas to the greatest number of Harlem citizens. We feel that communism should be in the streets and in the homes where people work and play. We actually talk man to man about our work and ideas. That's the only way to build the Party, and enlist people in

the fight against Wall St. reaction and its Negro haters."

Kelly's article quoted William Weinstone, New York State Educational director as saying, "the success of a street meeting depends mainly on the principal speaker and the chairman who should always remember to exercise the utmost tact with the audience."

Add to this the Harlem clubs notably John Brown, Lincoln-Douglass, and Freedom Road always have tables with petitions on current issues, pamphlets, and the Daily Worker.

Lavin said that it was the intention of the Harlem clubs to double the Harlem circulation of the Daily Worker because "people are learning by reading the Daily Worker that it is the only paper constantly fighting for Negro rights." He remarked that several people had commented on the Daily Worker's continual demand for the arrest

and prosecution of the Georgia lynchers.

More than 16,000 leaflets have been distributed by the clubs in the past two weeks. Meetings have held at 145 and St. Nicholas Ave., by the Freedom Road Club; and 125 and Lenox and 134 and Lenox, by the Lincoln-Douglass Club.

The meetings have been highlighted by enthusiastic response from the listeners, and a real growing interest in the Party and its work in the various communities.

Like the fellow on the corner said, "communism must be the poor man's philosophy." And if he made that comment after hearing a street corner speaker let's have more of those good old-fashioned outdoor meetings and debates where a lot of strong honest questions are asked and straight from the shoulder answers given. That's what people like. Real solid stuff concerned with their everyday life and problems. The more outdoor meetings the more Communists!

### Pestbrook Wigler—Roving Reporter



"Full speed ahead, Gridley—I've spotted a couple of nude Russians."



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## For an American Policy

WHAT should Americans think about the latest ructions over Yugoslavia? They should, it seems to us, try to figure out whether what Washington is doing is good for America; whether it is good for our national safety and welfare.

Every American ought to figure out—what will be best for me, my family, and for the United States.

That's the way we try to figure it out.

And we conclude that what Washington and the State Department are doing in Yugoslavia is harmful to the United States; that it is un-American if you measure Americanism (as we do) by the welfare of the common people, the workers, farmers and the "little man" in business.

Why? Because powerful, war-minded forces in this country have deliberately forced a crisis with Yugoslavia in order to crack down on European democracy and force the small nations to take orders from Wall Street—or else!

Let's ask some plain questions, straight from the shoulder, and we'll get to the bottom of the matter.

Does it benefit the United States when Washington ignores the four notes which Yugoslavia sent us protesting the 172 violations of their borders by our planes?

Does it benefit the United States when Wall Street aviation corporations get sore at Yugoslavia for its refusal to bend the knee to their requests?

Does it benefit the United States when the Army does not bother to make arrangements with an independent country like Yugoslavia for flying over its territory?

Does it benefit the United States when, as a result of these actions by us, a terrible accident occurs which Washington eagerly uses to start a vast build-up of our war machine in Europe?

Somebody wants American arms to take over Europe. But that somebody is not the plain American people. It is the banking trusts, the oil corporations and the democracy-haters of America who alone have a stake in fomenting a war situation. For them war means billions in juicy contracts; it means privileges and profits. Above all, it means a chance to smash labor at home as well as abroad.

In this game of dominating Europe, it is the American people who will pay the price, but it will be the trusts and banks who will cash in on the profits.

Our giant United States is menaced by no one. Can Yugoslavia attack us? Ridiculous! Will anyone—even the rabid Soviet-haters—dare say that the Soviet Union either can or desires to attack us? It has lost 20,000,000 of its people. Besides, it is a Socialist state with no problems of markets or colonies as the capitalist states have. It asks only to be allowed to build up its devastated cities and economy.

There is not a single American interest which demands that we foment a war crisis or increase our war machine in Europe as we are doing.

Only the desire for empire, for cracking down on the independence of other nations, can explain what Washington is doing today.

In short, the Truman government is gambling with the interests of America's majority for the sake of the selfish aims of a minority. That's why we fight its un-American policy and will continue to do so.

## Have You Been Decontrolled?

IT'S THERE, but it isn't.

The alleged price control, we mean.

So far the Decontrol Board has done nothing but raise prices, day after day after day.

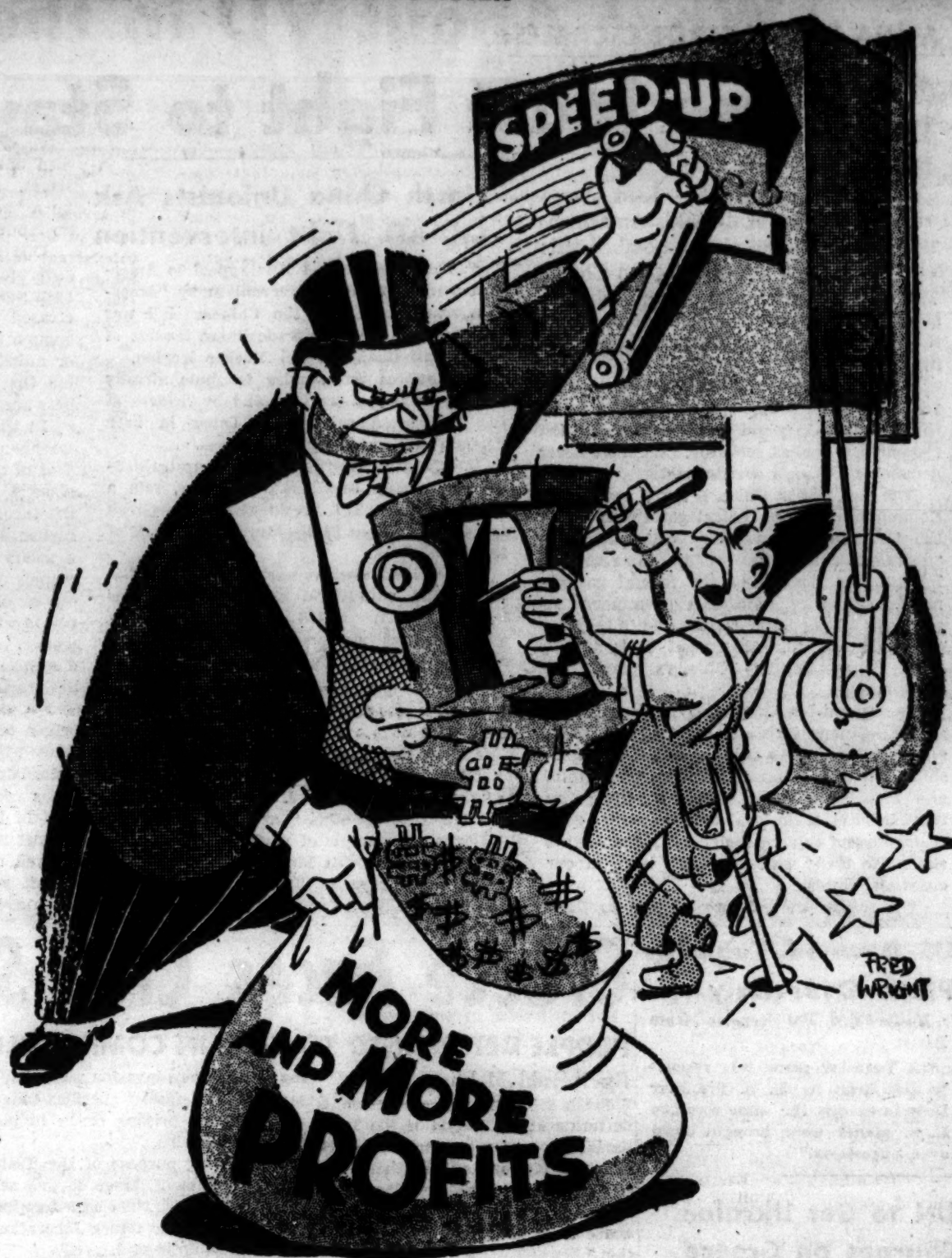
It was supposed to offer at least some partial protection to the consumer. It has done nothing of the sort.

The Decontrol Board, for which we have to thank both the Government and the Taft Republicans, is little else than a board to carry out legalized inflation.

And yet the hired press dares to scold labor when it talks of reopening the fight for wages again.

The fight of the nation to bring prices down by bringing profits down is more urgent than ever.

## MODERN FRANKENSTEIN MONSTER



Fred Wright, CIO News

## Mass Struggle Will Halt Lynchings

By Claudia Jones

(Continued from The Worker)

The Wall Street Bourbon lynch drive against the Negro people has ceased to be sporadic. For seven months each new outrage has shown that this lynch drive by the Wall Street monopolists and their Southern landlord-henchmen is a sustained one.

What we are witnessing are the lengths to which a corrupt capitalist system aims to go, its brutality—as well as its objectives.

Consider in this wise the complete breakdown of the federal and state processes of law and order, so recently admitted by the head of the Georgia FBI—where lynchers freely roam like hunters on human prey! Despite this, an assistant attorney general, from the office of U.S. Attorney General Tom Clark, told a youth-veteran delegation that the Department of Justice would take no positive action against the Ku Klux Klan and that it had no positive result of the 1,000 cases of violent attacks against the Negro people!

Consider, too, the refusal of the President of the United States to give protection to white and Negro anti-lynch witnesses in Georgia, or to demand that the evidence thus far secured be immediately used to prosecute those known to be involved in the brutal mob murder of four Negro citizens!

Yet, this is the same kind of "justice" for which certain American "liberals" recently spent millions of dollars to "save" the hanged Yugoslav traitor, Mikhailovitch. Noticeable in contrast, too, is the manner in which the government of liberated Poland swiftly moved to execute the nine anti-Semites who perpetrated violence against Jews in postwar Poland.

It is not amiss to tell anti-fascists that once before it was

their cry which rang around the world to "Free the Scottsboro Boys!"

Millions moved into action then—as millions must, and can, move now—because we knew that involved then as now—was not only the future of those nine boys, but the future of a whole oppressed people, the liberties of each and every one—of the entire nation.

A tremendous outline of this mass movement is in the making. Negro women, meeting in the nation's capital, who never picketed before, threw a cordon around the White House in the dark hour following the Monroe, Ga., lynchings.

Thousands, embracing an entire city—as in Philadelphia—mourned the lynched dead of Georgia, unitedly, cutting across class and neighborhood lines.

In the largest single Negro community in the nation—in Harlem—the night after the Georgia Ku Klux fascist crimes, thousands of Negroes packed an entire city block, to head Communist and non-Communist spokesmen, in unity, express their deepest emotions—that our very lives were at stake.

At the Lincoln Memorial and before the White House, two mass gatherings, embracing tens of thousands, protested in anger under the auspices of the Southern Conferences for Human Welfare, the National Negro Congress and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, supported by organized labor.

In Winston-Salem, N. C., in Alabama, and in Georgia itself, the Negro people, supported by AFL-CIO labor leaders and other democratic organizations, hurled their protests in the teeth of the lynchers.

As in Scottsboro, the voice of the youth of the world, through the World Federation of Democratic Youth, urged U.S. capture

and trial of the lynchers from across the seas—in Paris, as from Havana, Cuba, when their protests were heard through the National Federation of Cuban Negro Organizations. These and other actions finally compelled the President of the United States to speak out after six months of silence against lynch terror. But the record of lip service of the Truman Administration tells us that words are not enough. With the prime exception of the Communist Party, not a word has been uttered by either major party—Republican or Democrat. The Communist Party, moreover, is the only party who has matched its words of protest with its deeds.

Only systematic, sustained struggle and action on a mass and community scale will stop lynch terror. Such a struggle can, and should be, focussed around a movement to impeach Bilbo. Just imagine what millions can be stirred into motion and through mass struggle to compel his impeachment!

Bilbo is the virtual symbol of unchallenged lynch terror and "white supremacy." He has openly admitted Klan membership. "Once a Klansman—always a Klansman!" he has held.

The American people can, and must meet this challenge.

To achieve success, however—unity is necessary.

Unity of Negro and white; unity of all Negro organizations and their staunchest ally—organized labor; unity of labor itself and its full realization of its crucial role in this crisis.

Only mass struggle of the American people—led by labor and its Communist vanguard—can rid the nation of a spectacle which is the real laughing stock of the world—namely, a nation which continues to preach democracy abroad while foully violating it at home.



ANNA LOUISE STRONG CABLES:

# Chinese Must Fight to Stay Alive

By Anna Louise Strong

YENAN, Aug. 25.—Last week eight of Chiang Kai-shek's American-made planes strafed and bombed this city, capital of Communist-led China. As I came back from the air shelter after the "all clear," I noticed the same flag that flies over Nanking, Chiang's capital, was flying here.

"Do you still display Chiang's portrait in your public buildings?" I asked with irony, thinking that they did not. "Of course," the Communists replied seriously. "We have never demanded Chiang's overthrow."

The civil war in China is not a war by the Communists against central government. All the Communist areas—they call themselves "liberated areas"—are ready to recognize Nanking as the seat of the federal government. But they want this government to represent all parties and areas and to be democratically elected. At present, it is a one-party dictatorship by Chiang's party, the Kuomintang.

The reason for the present fighting is very simple. Chiang insists on sending his troops and secret police to rule by armed dictatorship. The local peasants all over North China and Manchuria resist this, demanding the right to elect their local and provincial governments and appoint their local police: rights similar to those we in America have in our cities and states.

The reason that Chiang objects to these

## North China Unionists Ask CIO-AFL Fight Intervention

YENAN, Aug. 25.—A new appeal to American workers to halt intervention by "American reactionaries" in the Chinese civil war was sent this week by trade union leaders of the Shansi-Chahar-Hopei Border Region.

The appeal was similar to those already sent by Shanghai workers and by leaders of the Chinese Association of Labor in both Kuomintang and Communist areas.

U.S. Marines are "openly and unrestrainedly" taking part in China's civil war, said a message sent to AFL President William Green and CIO President Philip Murray on behalf of 400,000 workers.

The Chinese workers appealed to U.S. labor to demand withdrawal of American troops from China. They called upon American railway and dock workers to refuse to handle supplies which may intensify the civil war.

demands is also simple. Government in China has always been a game of graft and looting. Chiang wants the right to loot these areas, to put it bluntly. He wants to send soldiers to take the crops at will. He wants to appoint all the local officials and take the graft.

Here's an example of what the fighting is about. I talked with Mr. Fan, finance chief for the Border Region. This region used to be afflicted with great famines in which families

died out and small daughters were sold as slaves. Since the Communists came and set up a "people's government," there have been no famines.

One reason is that they keep the cost of government low. The total crop of the region, even now after Communist measures have increased the sown area by 25 percent, is just enough to give everybody one pound of wheat or millet every day in the year. That's all, but that's wealth in China where vast numbers are chronically underfed.

In the old days, the costs of corrupt, extravagant government took as high as 47 percent of the crop. Today the tax rate averages about 8 percent of the crop. This is because the income of a government official is hardly higher than that of a peasant. Mr. Fan gets a salary of one pound of millet daily, four pounds of meat monthly, one cotton suit and one set of underwear annually, and one padded cotton winter suit every two years. He gets no money. Besides this, Mr. Fan works in a co-operative production group from which he gets his vegetables, cigarettes, socks and shoes.

For the first time in Chinese history, the people of the liberated areas have a government which is not a terrible burden, but a convenience that organizes the peasants for better crops. The peasants will fight for this kind of local government. Chiang will fight against it. For if this kind of government is allowed to exist, it will spread across China and it will put an end to the graft of the bureaucrats.



**WEIGHING IN:** After a few months on a milk diet, supplied by the UNRRA welfare station at Peiping this Chinese youngster, once a malnutrition victim, weighs 25 pounds. Thousands of other children have been deprived of UNRRA aid because of wholesale thefts of supplies by the corrupt Kuomintang administration.

## US Downed Yugoslav Plane Over Italy

Yesterday's PM reports from Paris:

"A Yugoslav plane was recently shot down by U. S. fire over Italy in exactly the same way two U. S. planes were brought down over Yugoslavia."

## UN to Get Ukraine Charges on Greece

The Ukraine Republic's charges that Greek Balkan policy, supported by Britain, is threatening European peace will be aired before the United Nations Security Council on Wednesday morning at Lake Success, Long Island.

# Greece Faces Civil Strife

PEOPLE DETERMINED TO VOTE IN COMING PLEBISCITE

By Harold Mehling

Fresh from the terror Greece is suffering at the hands of the Tsaldaris government, three youths, Georgios Kyriazis and brothers Alex and Nick Palamiotis, described conditions in Greece yesterday as "even worse than under the Nazi occupation."

Full scale civil war faces Greece Sept. 1, if the fascists try to keep the Greek people from participating in the plebiscite set for that date, they told the Daily Worker.

But compared to what the Greek people may expect if King George II is returned to the throne, they have seen nothing yet, Kyriazis declared. He pointed out that the people of Greece are determined they are going to participate in the voting.

Kyriazis was secretary of the youth organization in Greece, EPON, in his province of Arcadia, in the Peloponnesian peninsula. Most of EPON was forced underground by the Tsaldaris regime, backed by the British in Greece.

The plebiscite is a phony from the start, the trio pointed out. The vote will not be on whether the Greek people want restoration of a monarchy, but simply on whether they want King George II to return as monarch. When he is voted down, the fascists will propose another candidate for king, it is expected. The British and the Tsaldaris government have refused to allow democracy in Greece.

Showing strong emotion as he spoke, Alex Palamiotis, who was a guerrilla fighter with the ELAS during

the German invasion, said thousands of anti-fascist guerrillas today are either in prisons or in hiding in the mountains.

The driving purpose of the Tsaldaris government, since it was set up by the British, has been to wipe out the EAM, the Greek Liberation Front, Palamiotis said.

The EAM, seeking to counter the fascist tactic of division of the people, is attempting conciliation between all groups of Greek people, regardless of individual differences, to resist the fascist robber bands overrunning the country.

Palamiotis said a fascist band recently swooped down on a town in which such a conciliation had been made, but had been beaten and driven out by the residents, who were determined to resist attempts to redivide them.

Nick Palamiotis pointed out that the royalist regime had not succeeded in solving one problem affecting the Greek people since it was swept into power by the British. He said transportation, employment, relief, food and many other problems were at critical points.

The University of Salonika was on the verge of a shutdown recently, Palamiotis said, because of a lack of funds, while spending for the army and especially for the secret police rose to new highs. The university survived only through donations of peoples' organizations.

This is why the Greek people have put the struggle for democracy in their land as their first order of business, the three youths said, and will resist all attempts to keep them from voting down King George II Sept. 1.

# Anti-Communist Drive Mounting in Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO, Aug. 25.—With workers throughout Brazil preparing for a national trade union congress, provocations are mounting against the labor movement and the Communist Party.

Wednesday the Communist newspaper Tribuna Popular was suspended for 15 days by the Minister of Justice. Although the anti-Communist press pretends that such measures aid "democracy" in the long run, the majority leader in the Constituent Assembly asked President Aurelio Gaspar Dutra to reconsider the ban, and deputies from the Communist and other parties protested it.

Most democratic measures are systematically being voted down by the Assembly. Latest constitutional clause rejected was a proposal of autonomy for municipalities. In this case the government party betrayed promises made before the elections. Reason may be that in the Dec. 2 elections the Communist Party, in coalition with other democratic groups, showed great strength in cities like Rio de Janeiro, Sao Paulo, Recife and Natal.

Sen. Luiz Carlos Prestes, addressing the Assembly, said of the drive to suppress the Communist Party: "Freedom of the press is denied. A paper is suspended without any reason and against all legal dispositions. That is a demonstration of force."

"Tribuna Popular is closed, but

among Brazilian journalists there are men like Apparicio Torelli who immediately founded another paper to talk the same language Tribuna Popular used. So that, the immediate objective of reaction—to silence the people's voice—was impossible to attain.

"What do these men want by outlawing the Community Party? We already lived for 23 years in illegality, and the result was that a party of 4,000 members in May, 1945, cast 600,000 ballots in the Dec. 2 elections after some months' work devoted to effacing infamies and lies.

"Our party now has 130,000 members. We do not fear illegality. We form a people's party to fight for democracy and, in case we are again made illegal, we shall know how to fight for our ideals.

"We are sure that nowadays, with the Nazis swept from military power, a wave of reaction cannot last long. We are also sure that if this happens our party will emerge after some weeks or months stronger than ever."

## Give Up Arms, Filipinos Told: Battles Loom

MANILA, (By Mail).—The peace outlook in turbulent Central Luzon, variously called the "Balkans" or "breadbasket" of the Philippines, seems to hold no bright promise.

This is true despite the government's sudden turnabout in its current pacification policy toward the peasant guerrillas, when it okayed a 70-30 crop division—70 percent to the tenant farmers, 30 percent to the landlords.

Taking advantage of the changed situation following the peasants' pledge to submit to peaceful settlement of their problems, the administration recently announced a new policy calling for outright surrender of all firearms in the hands of the peasants.

President Manuel Roxas has set Aug. 31 as deadline for arms surrender. Democrats fear the ultimatum will be enforced by a military campaign.

The original agreement reached at a recent conference between government officials and peasant leaders only called for the registration of said firearms, but not their surrender.

Mateo del Castillo, president of the powerful National Peasants' Union, expressed surprise at the government's change of policy, insisting that this violates the original agreement permitting peasants to keep their firearms after registration with the proper authorities.

He emphasized the necessity of allowing the peasants to retain their firearms for protection from the illegally constituted civilian guards who have been armed by local landlords to suppress the peasant movement for reforms.

Jose P. Laurel Philippines puppet president under the Japanese, was released conditionally from jail, Saturday pending disposition of his habeas corpus petition.

## Chile Wants Loan

SANTIAGO, Chile, Aug. 25 (UP).—The Chilean State Railways have asked for a \$12,000,000 loan from the United States Export-Import Bank to improve its lines, Alejandro Iriarte, director general, announced tonight.

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## PRESS ROUNDUP

### Notes China Communist Morale

THE TIMES correspondent Tillman Durbin cables from Shanghai that while Chiang Kai-shek has American munitions, the Chinese Communists have morale, spirit and popular support: "The general Government military stockpiles are probably in pretty good shape considering the flow of American lend-lease supplies that has come in regularly since the close of the war in Japan. . . . The Government soldiers lack devotion to a cause that is deeply instilled into the Red troops. . . . But there are still larger groups in Kuomintang China who are disillusioned with the corrupt, inefficient and heavy-handed government and who would not willingly support the Kuomintang regime in a clash with the Communists." Previously the Times reporters cabled that U. S. marines in China are disgusted with the corrupt Chiang dictatorship and favor the Communists. Editorially, the Times continues its crusade for greater military support to Chiang's war against Chinese democracy.

PM's editorial by Alexander H. Uhl charges, "exactly what President Roosevelt sought to avoid in American foreign policy has happened. . . . What has happened is that the State Department, in fear of Russia, has accepted bag and baggage the thesis that defense of American interests in the world today means defense of the British Imperial system. . . . A year ago President Truman sat on a platform in Fulton, Mo., and heard . . . Churchill call for an Anglo-American alliance against Russia. And although he denied that he knew what Churchill was to say, the fact remains that during the past year just that thing has happened." To which it might be added that Wall St. favors an Anglo-American anti-Comintern Axis in which the U. S. remains the senior partner just as Germany was boss of the last anti-Comintern axis.

THE JOURNAL - AMERICAN concludes that "world peace is . . . probably UNATTAINABLE." Hearst recommends "The atom bomb is Our Ace in the Hole." In Karl H. Von Wiegand's cable, the propaganda for World War III is bluntly outlined with a declaration, "If there is peace before there is open war again, then its design, will be Communist Soviet Russian." And Hearst wants war against the Soviet Union.

THE HERALD TRIBUNE praises Maxim Litvinov and says "his policy of international cooperation against Fascism recognized a great and growing menace." Indeed it admits that "the same general sentiments . . . continue to be the basis for the Soviet appeal to the West." But just as that appeal was rejected in favor of Munich so today it is rejected in favor of an Anglo-American anti-Comintern Axis.

THE DAILY NEWS deplores the alarming increase of venereal disease among American soldiers. It suggests, "the final answer in Europe may involve new techniques in medicine, morale, or education." During the war there was some anti-fascist morale and educational activity in the Army. Under the pressure of imperialist policy such education and morale work has been discarded. U. S. troops abroad had a progressive mission when they were fighting fascism. But when they fight our Chinese allies who were with us against Japan, and our Yugoslav allies who held off as many German divisions as we did in Italy,

our troops become demoralized and cynical at best.

THE DAILY MIRROR's Drew Pearson recommends that the U. S. send B-29s over Yugoslavia, saying Tito "might wonder what was in the bomb-bay—an American atomic bomb?" Presumably that would be final evidence that U. S. planes are not violating Yugoslav territory.

## G. L. K. SMITH ROUTED IN MINNEAPOLIS

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Aug. 25.—Residents here were still buzzing over the latest fiasco of pro-fascist Gerald L. K. Smith today, as they recalled the demagogue's rout, after a pitched battle between his followers and labor and American Youth for Democracy pickets.

Angered by an attack from Smith's followers, the pickets broke through barricaded doors at the Leamington Hotel and succeeded in preventing him from speaking.

Sponsors of the Smith meeting were on the platform when Walter Frank, Central Labor Union representative and picket leader, mounted a table beside them, removed his coat, rolled up his sleeves and accused the fascist's followers of inciting an attack on the protesters.

Seats soon held pickets instead of Smith followers.

The hotel management cancelled the meeting, announcing Smith had misrepresented his rally as a gathering of "Northwest Pioneers." Police did not allow Smith to enter.

When he left for Omaha the following morning he blamed the "left-wing labor leaders, Communists, and Jewish terrorists" for breaking up the meeting. He was informed the city auditorium in Denver, Colo., had been denied to him after being requested by the "Christian Veterans of America."

In recent months Smith has been prevented from speaking in Philadelphia, Milwaukee and Chicago.

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The Sports Patrol:

# RUMORS SWITCH STEPHENS FROM BROWNS TO BOSOX

By Steve Snider

UP Sports Writer

This one's kicking around in the wake of the St. Louis Browns on their current tour of the East:

Shortstop Vern Stephens, who jumped in and out of the Mexican League, is said to have a gentleman's agreement with the Brownies that he will be sold or traded before the 1947 season opens. A hopeful rumor up in Boston already has him ticketed as third baseman for the Red Sox, who have been plagued with worries at that corner since rookies Ernie Andres and Eddie Pellagrini failed to make the grade in spring training.

Stephens was reported dissatisfied with some of the terms the Browns offered to lure him back from the clutches of the Pasqueis shortly before the season opened.

But he ain't nearly as unhappy as Mickey Owen—who has five years to think it over.

The New York Yankees expect to be the hottest club in baseball from now on in.

They'll be the hottest, that is, in their dugout, all wrapped up in electrically heated blankets designed to keep the athletes physically happy, no matter how much of a lead the Boston Red Sox pile up in the American League standings.

Included in the shipment due to arrive at Yankee Stadium early this week is a modern version of grandma's shawl, also electrified, to drape over a pitcher's shoulders between innings.

The Yanks are the first to outfit a team with such a gadget, although Hal Newhouser, Detroit's pitching star, uses an electric jacket to keep his soupbone warm between innings.

The "sweetest music this side of heaven" to the ears of band leader Guy Lombardo is the roar of speedboat motors. He'll be one of the favorites in the Labor Day Gold Cup classic at Detroit, driving solo in his Tempo VI—which won the event for Zalmen Simmons in 1939 and 1941 under the name of My Sin.

Guy is a sizzling speedboat bug. If he wins the Gold Cup, he expects to experiment with a jet-propelled boat for next year.

It will be the "Flying Illini" this fall instead of the traditional "Fighting Illini" at the University of Illinois. School officials have chartered planes to fly the Illinois football squad to its games at Pittsburgh, Sept. 21; Michigan, Oct. 26, and Iowa, Nov. 2.

Less time away from classes, one night in a hotel and none in a Pullman facilitates both grid training and physical conditioning, they say.

Among the war-developed "tough guys" who will be playing football this fall is halfback Stanley Dzenev, of Marquette, a freshman star at Georgia Tech in 1942.

Hitting the silk only 300 feet above the earth, Dzenev's parachute failed to open on one occasion and he plummeted into a deep mud puddle, which saved his life, but stowed him away in an Army hospital for 18 months.

The kid's from Brooklyn.

## DODGERS, CARDS SPLIT

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

First game:

Brooklyn 000 101 001—3 7 0  
St. Louis 000 110 000—2 7 0  
Branca, Lombardi (6), Behrman (8), Gregg (9) and Edwards; Follet and Garagiola, Klutz (7). Winning pitcher, Behrman. Home run—Musial.

Brooklyn 8 7 3  
St. 14 15 1

Philadelphia 000 000 000—0 4 1  
Cincinnati 100 221 01x—7 12 1  
Donnelly, T. Hughes (5), Karl (8) and Seminick, Demoore (6); Beggs and Mueller. Losing pitcher, Donnelly.

Philadelphia 000 000 043—4 8 0  
Cincinnati 000 000 010—1 8 2  
Possehl, Mulcahy (8), Raffensberger (9) and Seminick; Gumbert, Blackwell (8) and Lamanno. Winning pitcher, Possehl; losing pitcher, Gumbert.

Boston 400 020 001—7 14 0  
Pittsburgh 100 120 010—5 10 2  
Wright, F. Barrett (8) and Masi; Ostermueller, Gables (1), Sewell (8), Gerbeuser (9) and Lopez. Winning pitcher, Wright; losing pitcher, Ostermueller. Home runs—Litwhiler, Russell, Kiner.

Boston 003 020 032—10 15 3  
Pittsburgh 100 201 010—5 10 2  
Johnson and Padgett, Masi (8); Strincevich, Hallett (8) and Baker. Losing pitcher, Strincevich. Home runs—Kiner, Padgett.

New York 002 000 000—2 7 3  
Chicago 100 010 001—3 10 0  
Koslo and Cooper; Borowy and Livingston. Home run—Blattner.

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

Detroit 000 011 050—7 8 1  
New York 010 000 001—2 5 1  
Newhouser and Richards; Gumpert, Queen (7), Gettel (8) and Robinson. Losing pitcher, Gumpert.  
Home runs—Newhouser, Greenberg.

(12 Innings)  
St. Louis 000 004 000 000—4 14 3  
Washington 000 010 012 001—5 9 0  
Shirley, Ferens (10) and Mancuso; Haefner, Pieretti (7), Candini (9) and Evans. Winning pitcher, Candini; losing pitcher, Ferens.

First game:  
Chicago 100 300 000—4 8 0  
Philadelphia 000 000 020—2 9 1  
Lopat and Hayes; Savage, Christopher (4), Knerr (9) and Rosar. Losing pitcher, Savage.

Second game:  
Chicago 000 101 300—5 9 0  
Philadelphia 000 041 10x—6 11 1  
Haynes, Hollingsworth (7) and Tresh; Marchildon and Desautels. Losing pitcher, Hollingsworth. Home run—Chapman.

First game:  
Cleveland 000 000 010—1 5 0  
Boston 000 000 101—2 4 1  
Embrée and Jordan; Ferriss and Wagner. Home runs—Doerr (2), Jordan.

Second game:  
Boston 030 001 03x—13 11 1  
Cleveland 110 200 101—6 15 2  
Reynolds, Berry (4), Gassaway (4) and Hegan; Dobson, Johnson (2) and Parlee. Winning pitcher, Johnson; losing pitcher, Reynolds.

## S P O R T S

# Channel Swim Attempt Fails by Half Mile

DOVER, England, Aug. 25 (UP).—Jorge Berroeta, 28-year-old Chilean long distance swimmer, came within half a mile of swimming the English Channel today but was forced to abandon the attempt at 9:15 p.m. (4:15 p.m. EDT) when the tricky tides of the Dover coast began carrying him out to sea again.

Most heartbreaking point of Berroeta's attempt was the fact the tide had turned only an hour before he gave up and he probably would have made it if he hadn't been slowed down during the day by a heavy thunderstorm that lashed the Channel with rain and blew up choppy seas.

Thousands of watchers on the Shakespeare Cliff saw the end of the dramatic battle Berroeta made in the first postwar attempt to swim the Channel. When he was within a mile of the shore, they saw the accompanying tug switch on its spotlight as darkness fell and illuminate the bobbing head in the water.

Then the east-west ebb tide turned and for the next hour the stocky Chilean champion gained only a half mile toward his goal as the tide turned and grew stronger by the minute.

Watchers on the cliff saw the tug suddenly switch off its spotlight, turn about and speed toward Dover harbor after Berroeta had signalled that he was abandoning the attempt.

Veteran swimmers were amazed at the courage of Berroeta's fight. Time and again the rowboat accom-

panying him was almost overturned by eight-foot waves.

"We only intended this to be practice because the present tides are bad," said the Chilean's trainer, Edward H. Temme, the only man who has swum the channel both ways. "He was making such excellent time we let him go on, just to see how far he could go. Toward the end I feared for his life. Thank God we got him out alive. On the right day he will break all channel records. If he had succeeded, it would have been the most difficult channel swim ever made. I stood

for three hours in my bathing suit ready to go after him, but he would not quit. If I'd gone in I couldn't have controlled him and myself in that water. He'll try it again before Sept. 15."

Berroeta was cheered heartily when he came ashore, exhausted. He was taken to a hotel where he went to sleep.

Only 23 persons have swum the English Channel since the Englishman, Matthew Webb, first did it in 1875 in the time of 21 hours and 45 minutes. The record is held by Venceslas Spacek of Czechoslovakia, who swam it in 10 hours and 45 minutes in 1928.

## Oliver Tops Hogan in PGA Meet

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 25 (UP).—Ed (Porky) Oliver's magic putting touch gave him a three-up lead over favored Ben Hogan at the end of 18 holes in their 36-hole National PGA championship match here today.

## Rainey Loses to Jester in Texas

DALLAS, Tex., Aug. 25.—Railroad Commissioner Beauford Jester, today won the Democratic nomination for Governor by close to a two-to-one margin.

Voters lined up in the Primary runoff Saturday to give Jester 681,743 votes against 355,218 for his opponent, Dr. Homer P. Rainey, nationally prominent educator and liberal.

Jester's nomination was equivalent to election in Texas, though he will face Eugene Nolte of San Antonio in the November General Election.

U. S. Senator Tom Connally beat four rivals in the first primary and was not forced into a runoff, nor was House Speaker Sam Rayburn, who was unopposed for renomination in the 4th Congressional District.

## Warsaw Charges British Interference

LONDON, Aug. 25.—Radio Warsaw said tonight that an official government spokesman had expressed the Polish government's "astonishment" at British and United States notes calling for guarantees of free and unfettered elections in Poland.

The broadcast said Gen. Wictor Grocz, director of press relations, told correspondents Poland was particularly surprised at the British note, "which has for its aim interference in the internal affairs of our country."

"Such an interference in our internal affairs was not contemplated by any of the obligations of Poland and contradicts the principles of our sovereignty," Grocz was quoted as saying.

## 26 Jews Flee Prison Camp, British Say

JERUSALEM, Palestine, Aug. 24 (UP).—The British Army announced today that 26 Jewish illegal immigrants had escaped from the Atlith detention camp in North Palestine, and military sources said

the underground army Hagana undoubtedly had helped them. A dispatch from Tel Aviv described tension there as "unprecedented," though it was the Jewish Sabbath.

### EVENING

6:00—WEAF—News Reports  
WOR—Frank Kingdom, Comment  
WJZ—News; Kieran's Corner  
WABC—Harry Marble, News  
WMCA—News; Music  
WQXR—News; Music to Remember  
6:15—WEAF—Serenade to America  
WOR—Bob Elson, Interviews  
WJZ—Ethel and Albert  
WABC—In My Opinion  
6:25—WQXR—Here, There in New York  
6:30—WOR—Fred Vandevert, News  
WJZ—Allen Prescott  
WABC—Skyline Roof, Variety  
WMCA—Racing Results  
WQXR—Dinner Concert  
6:40—WEAF—Sports—Bill Stern  
6:45—WEAF—Lowell Thomas  
WOR—Sports—Stan Louax  
WJZ—Here's Morgan  
WMCA—Sports Resume  
WABC—Robert Trout, News  
7:00—WEAF—Supper Club, Variety  
WOR—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Comment  
WJZ—Headline Edition  
WABC—Mystery of the Week  
WMCA—Jack Elgen, News  
WQXR—News; Footlight Echoes  
7:15—WEAF—News of the World  
WOR—The Answer Man  
WJZ—Elmer Davis, News  
WABC—Jack Smith Show  
WMCA—Five-Star Final  
7:30—WEAF—Claims Agent—Play  
WOR—Henry J. Taylor  
WJZ—Lone Ranger  
WABC—Bob Hawk Show  
WMCA—J. Raymond Walsh  
WQXR—Treasury of Music  
7:45—WEAF—H. V. Kaltenborn  
WOR—Sports—Bill Brandt  
WMCA—Recorded Music  
WJZ—Johannes Steel  
8:00—WEAF—Cavalcade of America—  
Passport to Freedom, Paul Lukas  
WOR—Bulldog Drummond  
WJZ—Lum 'n' Abner  
WABC—Inner Sanctum Mystery  
WMCA—News; UN Rebroadcast  
WQXR—News; Symphony Hall  
8:15—WJZ—Ed Sullivan Program  
8:30—WEAF—Eleanor Steber, Soprano  
WOR—Case Book of Gregory Hood  
WJZ—The Pat Man—Play  
WABC—Fighting Senator—Play  
WMCA—Shoot the Works—Quiz  
8:55—WMCA—Ned Calmer, News  
9:00—WEAF—Maggie Teyte, Soprano  
WOR—Gabriel Heatter  
WJZ—I Deal in Crime—Play  
WABC—Radio Theater: Without  
Reservations; Claudette Colbert,  
Robert Cummings  
WMCA—News; Amateur Hour  
WQXR—News; Concert Hall  
9:05—WAAT (970 Kc)—Labor Views the  
News—Sponsored by UE-CIO

## RADIO

WMCA—580 Kc. WEVD—1330 Kc.  
WEAF—660 Kc. WNEW—1130 Kc.  
WOR—710 Kc. WLIE—1190 Kc.  
WJZ—770 Kc. WEN—1050 Kc.  
WNYC—830 Kc. WOV—1290 Kc.  
WABC—880 Kc. WBNY—1180 Kc.  
9:15—WOR—Real Life Stories  
9:30—WEAF—Benny Goodman Band  
WOR—Lombardo Orchestra  
9:45—WQXR—Continental Memories  
WQXR—Great Names  
WJZ—Whiteman Orchestra  
9:55—WJZ—Sports—Harry Wismer  
10:00—WEAF—Buddy Clark, Baritone;  
Harry Sosnik, Guest Conductor;  
Patti Clayton, Vocalist  
WOR—Tommy Dorsey's Playshop  
WJZ—Question for America  
WABC—Screen Guild Play  
WMCA—News; Footlight Echoes  
WQXR—News; Opera Favorites  
10:30—WEAF—Doctor L. Q.—Quiz  
WOR—The Symphonette

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## BOOKS — FILMS — THE ARTS



A Red Army soldier and two little children celebrate the liberation of Czechoslovakia. It's a scene from "Liberation in Europe," the title of a stirring new group of Soviet documentary films now at the Irving Place Theatre.

## — Film Front —

## Movie News of More Than Passing Interest

By David Platt

Seymour Nebenzal is producing Cornell Woolrich's novel, *The Black Path of Fear*. The scenario's original ending called for the hero, Robert Cummings, to re-enlist in the Army. This ending, according to the *Times*, has been changed. "Nebenzal received such vigorous protest from every vet he consulted that the story was changed to indicate that Cummings would eventually find his way into the arms of Michele Morgan, the heroine."

Charles Laughton, known to his intimates as Cuddles, will play a Protestant minister in a new movie titled *A Miracle Can Happen*. . . . Darius Milhaud, noted French composer and director of the Music Department of Mills College, Oakland, Calif., will write the score for David Loew's *Bel Ami*, a deMaupassant tale. . . .

Two thousand, five hundred film office workers in New York are negotiating with the major movie companies for the following wage increases: \$10 weekly increase; \$30 weekly minimum for messengers; \$50 weekly minimum for advanced secretaries; \$100 weekly minimum for top professionals. This information will help you to appreciate the following item plucked from *Sound Track*, organ of the Screen Office and Professional Employees Guild, Local 109, UOPWA:

"In MGM's *The Show-Off*, Red Skelton plays a white-collarite whose sole duty consists of applying a rubber stamp to contracts all day long. For this Labor Grade II, Clerk I Job, Red, according to the script, draws \$35 to \$40 a week. In real life, MGM's (and the industry's) present salary range for the classification is \$22-\$26. So any screams of anguish and/or bitter bellylaughs heard in theaters where the picture is exhibited may be attributed to our industry's office workers."

To celebrate the 800th birthday of Moscow, which falls in 1947, the Popular Science Film Studio of the USSR is producing *Heart of the Motherland*, showing Moscow's transformation from the small settlement of Borovitskoye into the principal city of Russia and subsequently into the capital of the Soviet Union.

Film Front hears from a reliable source that the J. Arthur Rank film *Caesar and Cleopatra* is anti-Negro.

MGM has revived *Captains Courageous*, 1937 film with Spencer Tracy, but not the far superior 1936 anti-lynch film *Fury*, with the same actor. *Fury*, MGM's most important release in 10 years, is needed badly in the fight to rid the country of Ku Kluxism. Why is it buried in the vaults while lesser pictures made around that time are revived?

Charles Chaplin, Jr., son of the famous comedian, announces a new independent production group to be known as Charles Chaplin Jr. Productions. Three ex-GIS are associated with Chaplin in the new venture.

Edgar Kennedy's 600th comedy, RKO's *Heme Made Home*, shows to what dismal depths Hollywood comedy has sunk. In his new film, Kennedy is knocked down four times by the end of a ladder swung by his flutter-brained screen wife, Florence Lake. He is dunked into a cement box. Falls off a high porch. Is knocked off a high ladder. His son-in-law, Jack Rice, kicks him in the face. For the climax, he is buried under an avalanche of bricks when a fireplace collapses. RKO Radio has the nerve to label this sort of thing "comedy." Any relation between Kennedy's crude antics and the work of great comedians like Chaplin, Harry Langdon, Buster Keaton, Harold Lloyd, Ford Sterling, is purely coincidental.

## From Dickens to Ehrenburg

By Samuel Sillen

LYA EHRENBURG was by no means the first visiting novelist to be appalled by the treatment of the Negro in American life. A hundred years ago Charles Dickens deplored the "horrible and repulsive" oppression of Negroes which he found here. In the century between Dickens and Ehrenburg the slave system was overthrown, but "white supremacy" remains the ugliest symbol of the chasm between our professed democratic ideals and our daily practice.

Dickens arrived here in 1842. His impressions are recorded in a volume entitled *American Notes*. Throughout the book Dickens is conscious of "that most hideous and foul disgrace—Slavery."

Traveling from Boston to New York, Dickens noted that even in the "free North" Negroes were segregated:

"As a black man never travels with a white one, there is also a Negro car; which is a great blundering clumsy chest such as Gulliver put to sea in, from the kingdom of Brobdingnag."

In New York the novelist found the Negroes living in "cramped hutches." Interested in prison reforms, Dickens one day visited The Tombs, that architectural monstrosity which he describes as a "dismal-fronted pile of bastard Egyptian, like an enchanter's palace in a melodrama." He looked at the tiers of furnace-like doors and said to the jailer:

"Those at the bottom are unwholesome, surely?" The jailer replied:

"Why, we DO only put colored people in 'em. That's the truth."

## IN BALTIMORE

On his way to Washington, Dickens stopped to dine at Baltimore, where he was waited on for the first time by slaves. Though an innocent bystander, he was filled with a sense of "shame and self-reproach." He tells us: "The sensation of exacting any service from human creatures who are bought and sold, and being, for the time, a party as it were to their condition, is not an enviable one."

As for the nation's capital, Dickens describes with bitter irony the behavior of the Bilbos and Rankins of that day. "But there are many kinds of hunters," he writes, "engaged in the Pursuit of Happiness, and they go variously armed. It is the Inalienable Right of some of them to take the field after their Happiness equipped with cat and

cartwhip, stocks, and iron collar, and to shout their view halloo! (always in praise of Liberty) to the music of clanking chains and bloody stripes."

On the trip to Richmond, Dickens saw tracts of Virginia land whose soil had been exhausted by the system of employing slaves to force the crops. It gives him "satisfaction" to see this withered ground. He remarked that an air of ruin and decay is inseparable from the slave system. And he described the barns moldering away, the sheds patched and half roofless.

## MISERY'S PICTURE

Dickens observed: "In the Negro car belonging to the train in which we made this journey, were a mother and her children who had just been purchased; the husband and father being left behind with their old owner. The children cried the whole way, and the mother was misery's picture."

"The champion of Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness, who had bought them, rode in the same train; and, every time we stopped, got down to see that they were safe. The black in *Sinbad's Travels* with one eye in the middle of his forehead which shone like a burning coal, was nature's aristocrat compared with this white gentleman."

Dickens saw the following "advertisements" in southern papers:

"Run away, a Negro man named Henry; his left eye out, some scars from a dirk on and under his left arm, and much scarred with the whip."

"One hundred dollars reward, for a Negro fellow, Pompey, 40 years old. He is branded on the left jaw."

"Run away, a Negro woman and two children: a few days before she went off, I burnt her with a hot iron on the left side of her face. I tried to make the letter M."

So much for the theory that Negroes were "contented" under slavery. So much for the "aristocratic" South.

Dickens exclaims: "Shall we cry shame on the brutality of those who hamstring cattle: and spare the lights of Freedom upon earth who notch the ears of men and women, cut pleasant poses in the shrinking flesh, learn to write with pens of red-hot iron on the human face! . . ."

A century later Ehrenburg writes: "I have been in the state of Mississippi, where half of the population were deprived of their right to vote. What is better: to deprive of the right to vote a man who has a black conscience or one who has a black complexion?"

A century between Dickens and Ehrenburg—and "pleasant poses" are still cut in the flesh. We move too slowly, much too slowly.

## Favorite Story

Cigarettes had proved inadequate, and a pipe she discovered burned small holes in the meticulously stretched bed clothes beneath which she wrote. Like the men in her family, she had found that a good cigar was a smoke.

The year was 1920 and the tobacco-lover was Amy Lowell. In his history of the Lowell family, "The Lowells and Their Seven Worlds," Ferris Greenslet retells one of Amy Lowell's favorite stories which concerned her chosen form of tobacco.

The poetess' automobile had broken down and the proprietor of the village garage, hesitated about charging the cost of repairs.

"I'm Amy Lowell," she told him, "the sister of the president of Harvard. Call him up and he'll tell you I'm good for the bill."

The proprietor called Kirkland 7600, and did so, stating the case in some detail.

"What's she doing now?" asked Lawrence Lowell.

"She's sitting across the road on a stone wall, smoking a cigar!"

"All right, that's my sister."

Houghton Mifflin Co. have scheduled "The Lowells and Their Seven Worlds" for Sept. 17 publication.

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## Vet Theatre Panel Tonight

Arthur Lessac's Veterans Theatre Panel will have as its featured speakers John G. Payne, ASCAP, Robert C. Schnitzer, National Theatre Conference, Dean Goodman, Provincetown Theatre producer, and others familiar with theatre, radio and music know how.

The first panel is scheduled for tonight, Monday, August 26, 8:30 p. m. at the Provincetown Theatre on MacDougal Street in the Village. Theme of the session will be job counseling for veterans with no professional theatre experience. All veterans interested are invited to attend.

## New Series Of Operatic Programs

Mary Henderson and Hugh Thompson, leading young Metropolitan Opera Association soprano and baritone, will be the vocal stars of a new program of operatic music which will be inaugurated over WOR in a weekly series starting on Wednesday, (October 9), from 10 to 10:30 p. m.

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# Royalist Purge of Army Hits Greek Republicans

By Robert Vermillion

ATHENS, Greece, Aug. 25.—A purge which well-informed source said was intended to restrict membership in the new Greek Army to Royalists and Royalist sympathizers was completed today. The British-uniformed and equipped army is now wholly sympathetic to the monarchy, it was said, and the monarchy is expected to be restored after next Sunday's plebiscite.

The purge started quietly a month ago with the discharge of enlisted men who were not of proven Royalist connection. At the same time inactive Regular Army officers who served with the left-wing ELAS resistance groups or who were not of proved Royalist sympathies were called up for "special service."

About 70 of the officers were collected here. Eight days later the government started sending them to the islands of Anaphi and Gavdos, south of Crete.

Fifteen officers, said to be the last affected by the purge, were sent to Patras yesterday and informants said it was expected they would be sent to internment on an island in the Ionian Sea.

It was suggested that the interned officers would be held on islands until a new government was firmly established and then would be set free under an amnesty.

(For further news on Greece see Page 8: "Greece Faces Civil Strife.")

## PRAVDA SCORES U.S.-BRITISH PRESSURE ON SMALL NATIONS

American and British diplomatic pressure on Yugoslavia and Poland "shows in its real light the attitude of the Anglo-American bloc toward small powers," Pravda, Soviet Communist Party organ, commented yesterday.

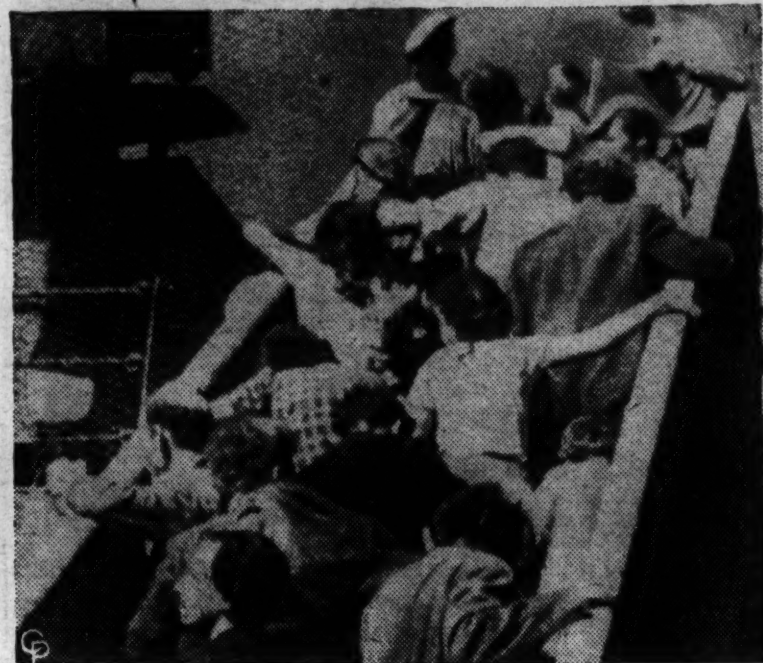
"This attitude will provide democratic peoples of all countries with a good criterion for estimating the behavior of countries of the Anglo-American bloc at the peace conference," Pravda said. "At the same time United States and British pressure on small powers shows that democratic forces must surmount great difficulties in the struggle for peace."

The paper denounced the U. S. ultimatum to Tito as a move to cover up illegal airplane flights over Yugoslav territory. It scored the "terrible campaign by the American press against an Allied country guilty only in that it dared defend its lawful rights."

Britain's note to Poland blue-printing election procedure to be followed by that country, Pravda charged, "is intended among other things to wreck the sovereign rights of free and independent Poland."

### Union Bug OK For Envelopes

Following intervention by Sen. James M. Mead (D-NY), the CIO New York Newspaper Guild has won the right for all concerned to use a union label on the front face of envelopes.



**Last Dreary Miles:** These Jewish immigrants, weary and heart-sick, plod up the gang plank of a British transport at Haifa, bound for a concentration camp on Cyprus.

## No Loan to Chiang, China Communists Tell U. S. Group

SHANGHAI, Aug. 25 (UP).—Communist demands that the United States cancel a proposed \$200,000,000 loan to the Kuomintang for the purchase of surplus property to "avoid slaughter of Chinese people" in civil war has been placed before an American delegation visiting Shanghai.

The Washington delegation, including high ranking officials of the War and Navy Departments, Foreign Liquidation Commission, Treasury and War Shipping Administration, currently is discussing the subject of surplus property with Kuomintang officials.

The delegation arrived here Aug. 15 from Manila and immediately visited Peking. At a conference with Gen. George C. Marshall in Nanking last Wednesday, the Chinese Communist spokesman, Chen Chia Kang, flayed current surplus property discussions as conducive to "the continuance and enlargement of the Chinese civil war."

Chen said the Foreign Liquidation Commission last July 30 submitted a proposal to the U. S. Congress that a \$200,000,000 loan be made to the Kuomintang for the purpose of buying surplus property.

Chen was emphatic that the proposed purchases under discussion are "modern weapons, ammunition, radio equipment, weapons carriers and other military supplies."

"Since most lend-lease supplies have already been thrown into the civil war" Chen demanded that the transfer of more surplus property to China be halted and the new loan cancelled pending "formation of a democratic coalition Chinese government in order to avoid the slaughter of Chinese people."

The American delegation includes Assistant Secretary of War Howard C. Peterson, Thomas B. McCabe, Foreign Liquidation Commissioner Sol Adler, Treasury attaché, Rear Adm. Carl H. Cotter, and W. E. Vogelbeck, Central Field Commissioner for the Pacific.

## Italian Police Attack Negro Troops

The United Press reported yesterday that a fight between American Negro and white soldiers in Leghorn, Italy turned into a pitched battle between the Negroes and local Carabinieri, in the ruins of a bomb-wrecked cathedral. The fight is alleged to have begun when the white soldiers challenged a Negro soldier with an Italian girl.

American military authorities said one Negro, and two white soldiers were killed, with two Italian civilians wounded, while the Italian police reported four Negroes dead.

The Italian police claim they were fired upon by the Negro soldiers when they tried to stop the fight. They returned the fire and the Negroes withdrew to the cathedral where they stood off attacks for two hours. The Carabinieri brought up machine guns.

This incident follows recent charges by a French reporter, that

Southern white officers attached to psychological warfare division of the 5th Army in Italy, had told the Italian people Negroes were rapists, killers, sub-human, and congenitally lazy. They strongly advised Southern methods in dealing with Negro soldiers.

Negro veterans of the 92nd Infantry Division which saw combat service in Italy have reported countless incidents where southern white soldiers intimidated Italians who were friendly to them. At one time Italian fascists circulated a leaflet attacking Negro soldiers with the same vile ideas that the white southerners were spreading.

Army authorities say an "investigation is in progress to fix responsibility" for this latest incident. They may determine the specific cause for this one, but the responsibility has already been fixed right on the shoulders of the American Jimcrow Army and the white supremacists that maintain it.

### Cold Cream-Demented

SEATTLE, Aug. 25 (UP).—Police tonight booked a 44-year-old man charged with hurling a jar of cold cream through a liquor store window.

After the window-smashing incident, the man entered the store, passed around a box of cigars to the customers. He explained to officers that he wanted to convince children of the evils of drink.

## Ex-GIs Blame British for Bloodshed in India

The American Friends of India, an organization of former GIs in the India theatre, declared yesterday that the recent riots in Calcutta cannot be explained simply as a "religious war" between Moslems and Hindus, and warned against "a naive acceptance of ideas emanating from the British Foreign Office."

"To understand the riots, it is essential that one answer the following questions: Why did they occur only in Calcutta, which in the past year has witnessed several united mammoth demonstrations of both Hindus and Moslems against the British? Why did they occur at this particular time?"

"First, it must be noted that the province of Bengal, of which Calcutta is the capital, is ruled by a Moslem League ministry, which is in a minority in the Provincial Assembly, but which stays in power with the help of the Europeans.

"Secondly, it was in Bengal that the 1943 famine wreaked its greatest human devastation, leaving the inhabitants in a state of abysmal poverty and frustration, conditions which are always conducive to mass outbreaks.

"Thirdly, the recent British plan

for the future of India is particularly inapplicable and calculated to divide-and-rule in relation to the people of the province of Bengal.

"The riot started with the celebration of 'Direct Action Day' by the Moslem League, which was not in any respect either a religious celebration or an anti-British or anti-Congress Party demonstration.

"The Day was designated by the Moslem League in order to protest against Britain for not granting the demands of the League in regard to representation in the interim government; and more particularly for reneging on Britain's promises to the League on this issue.

"During the recent negotiations between Britain and the Indian political leaders, the Viceroy, in confidential correspondence with Mr. Jinnah, president of the Moslem League, accepted equal representation for the Moslem League and the Congress Party in the interim government and the right of three out of the five Moslem League ministers to veto decisions of the Cabinet on major communal questions.

"When an unauthorized summary of this correspondence was published by Mr. Jinnah and the Congress leaders refused to accept equal representation, the Viceroy went

back on his word and asked the Congress to form a Cabinet.

"This instance of Britain's double-dealing with the Indian parties during the negotiations has been largely ignored by the daily press in this country. Yet it was against this breach of promise by Britain that 'Direct Action Day' was organized by the Moslem League.

"In the background of the riots is also the exaggerated tension between the two communities, Hindu and Moslem, in Bengal, which has been caused by the British plan for two Moslem-majority sub-federations so constituted geographically that large Hindu areas are arbitrarily included in them.

"The city of Calcutta and the section of Bengal west of Calcutta contain a majority of Hindus. Nevertheless, they have been included in the proposed Moslem-majority sub-federations.

"Thus the British plan contained the seeds which are responsible for the protest of one section of the Indian people against a foreign government being misdirected into strife between two national groups within the Indian population.

"The tension was evident to the police for many weeks prior to the riots. There were 90 deaths on

Aug. 14; but no adequate precautions were taken. The death toll gradually began to mount into hundreds.

"Although the peace squads of the Congress Party and the Communists tried to control the situation, they were unarmed and, therefore, could accomplish little. The police did nothing.

"British troops are concentrated around Calcutta, and there is no reason which can credibly explain why the British government which could prevent an attack upon itself in Tel Aviv could not prevent a riot among the unarmed people of Calcutta, unless it did not wish to prevent it.

"It was only later when the isolated outbreaks spread into large riot that the government hastily sent British troops to patrol the city. What they achieved was obviously no control of the riot.

"It is significant to note that it was only after they came on the scene with rifles and machine guns that the death toll soared from hundreds to thousands.

"Both Hindu and Moslem leaders have deplored the riot. Mr. Jinnah, Mr. Suhrawardy, Moslem premier of Bengal, and Mr. Sarat Chandra

Bose, Congress Party leader of Bengal, tried to achieve peace.

"However, once violent action appears and by virtue of official inefficiency is permitted to spread, gangster and hoodlum elements will always attach themselves to the scene, introducing murder, arson, looting and rape.

"No political leader condones these acts. They are separate and distinct from the political motives and nature of the demonstration in Calcutta.

"An important phenomenon of newspaper reporting on India is the emphasis which is given to instances of Indian internal disunity.

"During the last year thousands of Hindus and Moslems, many more than were involved in the Calcutta riot, joined together in united action on various issues—namely, the strike of the Indian Navy, the postal workers' and railroad workers' strikes, the Kashmir demonstration.

"To ignore these facts when interpreting the Calcutta riot, as our press reporters have done, is to perpetuate and foster the false and anti-democratic idea that the Indian people are incapable of achieving internal harmony. It is a distortion of the truth of the Indian political scene."